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The New Year.

A requiem for the dying year.
Ring out upon the night air,
Sweet silver bells, speak words of cheer,
Both beautiful and true.
Ring out upon the still night,
Merry twined peals, and let them be,
That come robed in vestments white,
Promises of purest bliss.
Happy new year! our cheery call,
May heaven's choicest blessings fall,
(To cheer the heart) on each and all,
To smooth life's rugged way.
A happy year, our earnest prayer,
Let all our friends be given,
Unknown, no needless anxious care,
Unfettered, unobscured, and free,
Unstinted joy and peace.
Meet time to breathe "Ave to thee,"
To those who stand in pain,
May God in mercy guide thee,
To heaven above bring you and me,
Never to part again.

BUYING A VASE.

A STORY FOR YOUNG WIVES.

Pretty little Cassie Clewes sat in her kitchen, meditating. Six months before you would have been introduced to her as Cassie Mills; but she was wearing new dignified now, and it must be confessed, most worthily. It was not a common kitchen, either. There was a respectable air about it, as if it were its best clothes every day, that only belongs to kitchens in the beginning of housekeeping. There were no fading marks, either, or circles like pale yellow moons, where the good man's hat had adorned it for many a year. It was so fresh and clean, with the shining rays of the September suns checking its newly painted floors, or playing in the fantastic groups the last shadows made over the polished surface, and the shadows, sat the little mistress. When Harry Clewes asked her to share his fortune, Cassie was aware that this article was mostly to be found in the broad hands that then trembled impatiently waiting for an answer. But when she looked into the lover's brown eyes and read there the promise of peace, she did not hesitate. What would be the world full of bank stock to her if Harry had no shares? And she had never regretted her answer.

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SOMETHING YOU CAN'T GIVE AWAY.

A blushing maiden in Vermont sues a man for breach of contract under the following curious circumstances:
She had a farm which she wished to purchase, and she offered the property and herself for twenty thousand dollars, refusing to sell one without the other. He accepted, paid the money, got the title deeds of the land, and felt so well satisfied with his bargain that he restored one-half of it to her.
As that half was herself she declined the generous gift with thanks, and insisted he should marry her. He refused, and she sued him for breach of contract, and there is every indication that she will win the suit. Now, if that man cannot do what he likes with his own, it is hard indeed.
If we are to be sued and made to suffer the penalties of the law every time we see fit to indulge in a piece of thoughtless generosity, some of the kindest feelings of our common nature will receive a shock that will prove fatal to them. If we buy a piece of woodland land, and determine to make the former owner a present of the wood, shall we sue for breach of contract?

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF ACCIDENT.

Prof. Wilder of Cornell University gives the following short rules for action in cases of accident, which will be found useful to remember:
For dust in the eyes, avoid rubbing; dash water in them; remove cinders, etc., with the round point of a lead pencil.
Remove wax from the ear by tepid water; never put a hard instrument in the ear.
If an artery is cut, compress above the wound; if a vein is cut, compress below.
If choked, get on all fours and cough.
For slight burns, dip the parts in cold water; if the skin is destroyed, cover with vasoline.
Smother a fire with carpets, &c.; water will often spread burning oil and increase the danger. Before passing through smoke take a long breath, and then stoop low; but if carbonic acid gas is suspected, walk erect.
Suck poisoned wounds, unless your mouth is sore; enlarge the wound, or better cut out the part without delay; hold the wounded part as long as can be borne to a hot coal or end of a cigar.
In case of poisoning excite vomiting by tickling the throat, or by warm water and mustard.
For acid poisons, give alkalies; for alkaline poisons, give acids—white of egg is good in most cases; in a case of opium poisoning, give strong coffee, and keep moving.
If in water, float on the back, with the nose and mouth projecting.
For apoplexy, raise the head and body; for fainting, lay the person flat.

SALTS FOR DAILY LIFE.

Friendship, like Iron, is fragile if hampered too thin.—Saunders.

He who boasts a multitude of friends bath none.—Aristotle.

A joyless life is worse to bear than one of active sorrow.—Faber.

Look out for the best aspects of a man as you do for the views in the country.

All sects are different because they come from man; morality is everywhere the same because it comes from God.—Voltaire.

Whoever is in possession of a true friend sees the counterpart of his own soul.

Cicero.

No one is so completely in the right that his adversary is completely in the wrong.—Romaine.

Dr. Lyman Beecher said of his pupil efforts that he always roared when he had nothing to say.

Silence is a figure of speech, unanswerable, short, cold, but terribly severe.—Theodore Parker.

We are often prophets to others only because we are our own historians.—Madame Swetchew.

We hear the rain fall, but not the snow. Bitter grief is loud, calm grief is silent.—Auerbach.

An old man who was exceedingly parsimonious, was obliged reluctantly to consult a physician. "What shall I do with my head?" asked the man. "It is so dizzy, I seem to see double." The doctor wrote a prescription, and retired, saying, "When you see double you will find relief in counting your money."

A remarkably dirty man stopped in front of a small boy sitting on a fence, expecting to have some fun by chaffing him. He said: "How much do you weigh?" The answer was: "Well, about as much as you would if you were washed."

Business men should remember that a man who is liberal in advertising is liberal in trade, and the public prefer to deal with such. Our advertising patrons are among the most enterprising and reliable men in the country.

A married friend of ours said he would have always remained single but he couldn't afford it. What, it cost him for "rais and ice cream" was more than he now pays to bring up a wife and eight children. Bachelors should think of this.

Daniel O'Connell, the Irish orator, was applied to by a friend for his autograph to which he replied: "Sir, I never send autographs. Yours, Daniel O'Connell."

A young lady of Loganport recently sent a young man four quarts of butter as a token of acknowledgment for having saved her from drowning.

One advantage of living in Troy is that one can go to any hydrant, any day, and get an ear of corn for dinner, and no extra charge.

Only man is permitted to make himself wretched, if he will. But God does not forget the most debased; somewhere in the eternal future they will be lifted up and gradually cleansed of their world-stains.

A Quaker's advice to his son on his wedding day: "When thou wast a child I told thee to keep thine eyes wide open; now that thou art married I tell thee to keep thine half shut."

GRANGERS.

I want to be a Granger.
A modern politician's song.
I want to be a Granger,
And with the Grangers stand—
A horny-fisted farmer,
With a hatchet in my hand.
Beneath the tall tomato tree
I'll swing the glittering hoe,
I'll slay the wild potato bug
As he skips o'er the snow.
I've bought myself a Durham ram,
And a gray alpaca cow,
A lockath Oage Orange hedge,
And a patent leather plow.
My boots are built of cowhide,
And my pants of corduroy;
And if I were but young again
I'd be a farmer boy.
Like all the honest farmers,
Who with the Grangers stand,
I'm down on all monopolies,
That desolate the land.
To every hardy Granger's heart
The greenback I would bring;
And I'd bid time fly past
As long as I can sing:
I want to go to Congress,
And with the Grangers stand,
A horny-fisted farmer,
With a hatchet in my hand.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 3, 1874.

CONGRESS will meet again next Monday, when there will be a renewal of the discussion on the salary matter, the finances and so on. The members have been whetting their claws during the holidays for a brisk scrimmage.

GENERAL SICKLES, our minister to Spain, has at last been relieved from his position by our Government, and received an official recall. Caleb Cushing has been appointed his successor. Caleb will start for his new quarters as soon as he is confirmed by the Senate.

It now appears that it is not all harmony with the Grangers. Out West they are not on amicable terms with the Farmers' Clubs, and many of the farmers object to joining secret societies, believing them inconsistent with religion. Nevertheless the Grangers embrace a large number of good men and women, and their social meetings will keep them alive; but we are not so sure they can be kept secret a great while.

Boston reporters have been interviewing the four lady members of the new school committee to see what they think about the recent decision of City Solicitor Healy in regard to the legality of their holding the office. But the women very wisely say that they have been legally elected, and shall not worry themselves about his opinion until the new committee object to their taking the seats to which they were elected. That's sensible.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! And here we all are in this year of Our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-four! How the years do fly; how the mile-stones of life are passed with railroad speed; how rapidly we hasten toward the end! But we are not going to preach a sermon, as is the custom with most newspapers. Thus far the New Year looks as well as the years that have past. We have no doubt it will be full of events—have all kinds of weather, with seed time and harvest, Fourth of July, annual camp-meetings, cattle shows, and a final winding up with our good old-fashioned Thanksgiving next November. So, trusting that our readers may live honestly, contentedly, and pay the printer promptly, we wish them all thrice a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Mr. Griffin, one of the State police commissioners, has conscientious scruples and cannot stand the liquor law and the constabulary, how is it to be expected that other people can? He resigns because he wants to enforce the law and the rest of the commissioners don't. If the other gentlemen were as honest as Mr. Griffin appears to be there would be either a rigid enforcement of the law or the Governor would find the police commission vacant. It is plain from discoveries continually making in the police force that the office affords great opportunity for corruption, and too many of the officers have not had integrity enough to resist the temptation, and thus bring odium upon the law and its executors. There must be greater care taken in appointing constables, and a more honest enforcement of the law, or constabulary and law will go to the wall together.

The engineers on some of the railroads in the Western and Middle States are on a strike, on account of a ten-per-cent. reduction of their pay by the managers of the roads in consequence of the hard times. The strikers are members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and are sustained by them, thus demoralizing the operations of the roads and interrupting the regular running of trains. The engineers felt aggrieved at the proposed reduction of pay, and chose a committee to confer with the chief manager of the road, but their interview did no good, and they were discharged on returning to their places. Several trains have been run by engineers outside of the brotherhood, under protection of armed escorts. The engineers say that they will again resume work when the discharged men are given their engines, and the companies promise to return to the old wages as soon as the panic is over.

Our legislature will meet next Wednesday. Its organization will be easily effected, with, perhaps, a struggle over the clerkship of the House, where Messrs. Marden and Dean of Lowell will try titles for the clerkship. The Senate will re-elect Dr. Loring for President and the House Mr. Sanford for speaker. The Governor will probably deliver his message on Saturday, and by week after next there will be something doing to indicate what will be the important business of the session.—There will undoubtedly be a streak of economy to start off with, and a sharp dash made at the constabulary, which just now appears to be out of favor with everybody. Then the Hoosac Tunnel question, the consolidation of railroads, the granting of aid to the Lee & New Haven railroad, and to the Mass. Central will afford occasion for log-rolling and lobbying of magnificent proportions. We can only counsel members to act wisely and honestly, for in these days of public rascality the argus-eyed press will watch them with more than usual vigilance.

Ghosts are getting plenty, the last one turning up down in Lancaster, where he has taken his abode in a grist mill and revels nightly about the premises. Nobody will take the offer of \$100 to sleep in the mill over night.

This year 1873, just closed, has witnessed the death of many eminent men in all departments of science, literature and public life. First on the list is the name of Napoleon, who died at Chislehurst, dethroned and an exile, then follow the names of Sir Henry Holland, one of the most eminent physicians of the day, Dr. Guthrie, the great Scotch divine; Dr. Samuel Wilberforce; Bulwer Lytton, the eminent novelist; Liebig, the great agricultural chemist; August Nelaton, who stood at the head of the medical profession in France; "Louise Muhlbach," the prolific author of historical romances; Sir Edwin Landseer, the great English painter; John Stuart Mill, England's foremost logician and philosopher. In this country the hand of death has been very busy. The church mourns the loss of Dr. Joshua Leavitt, Dr. Richard S. Storrs, Dr. John Todd, Dr. Henry Wood and Bishops McIlvaine, and Armistage. Our navy has lost Commodore Maury, Aulick and Jameson, and Admiral Winslow. Chief Justice Chase, Minister Orr, ex-Governor Geary of Pennsylvania, Chief Justice Bellows of New Hampshire, ex-Senator Dixon of Connecticut, Oakes Ames, Hon. John P. Hale, ex-Senator Yates, Judge Nelson—these are but few of the men eminent in public life who have died during the year. Mrs. Harrison Gray Oulis; Horace F. Clark; Lewis Tappan, the veteran abolitionist; Hiram Powers, the sculptor; A. H. Davenport, and Laura Keane are among the persons distinguished in their various walks in life whose names are included in the necrology of the year. The long list terminates with the death of Professor Agassiz, Dec. 14.

There are miraculous stories told now-a-days, and the New York Sun is responsible for one of them, which asserts that the wife of Mr. Frederick Haller, of Louisiana, a bride of a day, drank some water which was found inside of a small boulder in Mr. Haller's geological cabinet, and in three-fourths of an hour she was literally petrified, her body becoming almost as hard as stone. The next day in a post-mortem examination it was necessary to use a hatchet in opening the body, and all inside was found to be equally solid. What is particularly appalling is the fact that the young wife was only sixteen years of age, remarkably beautiful, and several applications have been made to obtain her body for exhibition. There is probably no doubt about all this, for the Sun does not deal in fables.

AFTER all, the Virginian never reached an American harbor after being surrendered by her Spanish captors. The vessel left Cuba on the 17th ult., in tow of the U. S. steamer Ossipee, but being in a leaky condition her crew had hard work to keep her afloat, and she finally sunk to the bottom off Cape Fear, Saturday, during a heavy gale. The crew was safely transferred to the Ossipee. Thus this bone of contention is disposed of for the present, in a very summary way, and it will doubtless save our government considerable trouble. The remainder of the survivors of the massacre, 102 in number, arrived in New York Saturday on the U. S. steamer Junata, and were set at liberty, after being handsomely feasted at the public expense.

ANOTHER heavy misappropriation of bank funds has just been discovered in a Concord, N. H., bank, by the confession of its cashier. This man, W. W. Storrs, had loaned funds from the bank to a personal friend on real estate securities, which have since proved worthless, and thus \$47,000 of the bank's money is lost. The cashier has always borne a high reputation, and there will probably be no criminal charge made against him, as his bondsmen are wealthy capitalists and able to make good the loss to the bank. Storrs was cashier of the National Bank and treasurer of the savings bank, thus being able to keep his misuse of the funds a secret for a long time.

United States Custom House officers at Boston have charged the well known firm of Jordan, Marsh & Co., with frauds on the revenue, by which they claim the Government has been cheated out of large sums of money. It is charged that the firm have imported large quantities of goods upon false invoices, but the truth of the charges cannot be known until a thorough investigation has been made. All the books of the firm, which relate to their foreign business, have been seized by order of court and are being examined. The firm are confident of a speedy acquittal.

In Boston on Christmas day there was a brutal murder in Providence Court, when a man named Hegner killed his roommate, Anton Huttli, by beating him with a hatchet, mutilating him fearfully. The murderer was arrested before he could leave the house, and a coroner's jury found evidence enough to hold him for trial. The same day John and Arthur Doherty killed Joseph Galvin in a drunken row at Wakefield, and they were held for trial on a charge of homicide.

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Fitchburg Railroad, held at Boston on Wednesday, it was voted to lease the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad for nine hundred and ninety-nine years, paying 4 per cent. interest on the capital of the latter road. This action will have a bearing on the tunnel question in the legislature.

A fellow had the impudence and audacity to hiss at the Stars and Stripes during the play at the Boston Theatre Wednesday evening, and was immediately forcibly expelled from the theatre.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....The Palmer Grange is said to be prospering. Let it "wave."

....The Thief Detecting Society holds a special meeting at the Antique House next Monday evening.

....A social dance at Liberty hall, Collins' depot, Tuesday evening, drew several parties from this village.

....The Ladies' Society of the 2d Cong. church held their annual meeting at their vestry, Thursday evening, and enjoyed a social time.

....G. H. Newton of Monson is a deputy of the "Patrons of Husbandry," and organized a Grange of the order in Westfield, Saturday night.

....The "admiral friends" of State Constable George A. Randall have made him the present of an elegant Smith and Wesson revolver.

....Rev. Alfred Emerson, for over 20 years pastor of the Fitchburg Calvinistic Congregational church, occupied Rev. Mr. Fullerton's pulpit last Sabbath.

....Some of our citizens are moving towards the organization of a Reading or Literary Club in this village, and we trust they may meet with success.

....Lots of good resolutions were made last Thursday, and a good deal of "sweating off" and "turning over new leaves" done, but how long will they last?

....The Congregational churches of Warren, Brimfield, Monson and Palmer will hold their local conference at Thorndike, on Wednesday next at 10 o'clock, A. M.

....Rev. Alpheus Winter of Connecticut is engaged to deliver a lecture at the Baptist vestry, next Friday evening, under the auspices of the Good Templars. All are invited.

....O. P. Maynard, of the restaurant in the depot at West Brookfield, died quite suddenly last Saturday. He used to give concerts here and in the neighboring towns several years ago, and had become quite a prominent man in West Brookfield.

....The Congregationalists will observe the "week of prayer" by evening meetings in the vestry of their church next week, with the exception of Wednesday, when the vestry is engaged for the temperance reform meeting.

....During the month of December there were 4164 tickets sold at the Boston & Albany depot in this village, amounting to \$3414, and during the year 1873 the whole number of tickets sold was 51,190, which brought in cash to the amount of \$46,990.

....The amount of the dog-fund which is to be refunded to the towns, after paying for all damages done by the animals is as follows, and the amount in each place will go into the school fund:—Brimfield, \$157.23; Ludlow 117.66; Monson 320.19; Palmer 368.61; Wales 115.06; Wilbraham 215.02.

....The afternoon train from Palmer to Winchendon, last Saturday, when near Smith's station ran into a sled loaded with logs, which had been left standing on the track. The horse attached to the sled was killed, and the engine considerably battered, and used up, but no one on the train injured.

....Supt. Russell of the B. & A. R. R. has sent out two hundred feet of hose to be used with the Major Morgan engine, and the Major is putting up an engine house. The company take courage from this, and will hold a meeting next Wednesday evening at the Antique House. Let the boys be encouraged.

....Owing to the bad travelling Monday night Spaulding's Bell Ringers did not have so full a house as they wished, but those who did venture out were well paid for their trouble. It was the best entertainment we have had in our village for a long time, and all of the program was good, especially the music of the "band" and the harp playing of George Dean Spaulding. The lady cornet players were loudly applauded.

....The weather and traveling last Sunday made the attendance at our churches quite small. At the morning service 49 were out, and in the afternoon some 60 were present, of whom *one-third* were from the Antique House, thanks to the energy and courtesy of Mr. Weeks, the proprietor, who hitched up his span, and brought over two big loads, and they all seemed to be well repaid for their coming by a good sermon.

....A newly-married man of this town was the victim of a practical joke last Wednesday night. Calling him during the night his wife anxiously inquired the time. He immediately jumped up, supposing it was morning, lit a match, and informed her that it was only five minutes past twelve; whereupon she innocently wished him a "happy new year," and quietly sank into the arms of Morpheus, much to the chagrin of her now fully awakened husband.

....Last Saturday an aged man called on Officer Nelson and desired to be sent to prison for two or three months that he might not perish of the cold nor starve to death. He said he had been told to steal something in order to get arrested, but he would not do that, and begged to be arrested as a vagrant. After satisfying himself of the man's sincerity, Mr. Nelson took him before Judge Allen and he was sentenced to three months in the House of Correction.

....Baxter A. Barnes, a former resident of Monson, who has held since 1861, a responsible position in the office of the First Comptroller of the Treasury at Washington, died in that city on the 20th ult., after a brief illness. The deceased removed early in life to Luzerne County, Penn., of which he has been at one time deputy sheriff, besides holding other positions of honor. His remains were brought north and buried on Thursday Dec. 24th., with Masonic honors.

....The question of having only one sermon on the Sabbath, is being discussed by the members of the 2d Cong. church, and we hope that this church will ere long follow the example of many of its sister churches, in making the afternoon meeting, a "Bible Service," in which the pastor shall take the lead. This would allow the minister to put more thought and wisdom into his morning sermon, and then expound the truths of the Bible in the afternoon Sunday School service, and allow the whole congregation to have the benefit of the school instead of the children only. The advantages of the "new departure" would be many, and obvious.

....Temperance lectures have their trials and tribulations as well as other people, and the following item will show that some of them have also pluck and enterprise. This man, the hero of our story was booked

for a speech at Westfield, Saturday evening. He made his debut at Westfield all right but got to the depot next morning just in time to see the train moving off. Nothing daunted he got a kid farmer to take him to Springfield 10 miles, and thence 10 miles to Collins Depot. There he found another team which took him to Monson, where he procured supper and a team which took him to Brimfield arriving like Sheridan, just in time to deliver one of his most brilliant efforts, and to see at least one man sign the pledge and "swear off."

....Almost everybody has heard of the Maine Temperance Reform, which was so successful in that state, and those who read the papers know that Mr. J. K. Osgood, with whom that reform originated, has been laboring very successfully in this State for about a year past, and has organized some 30 active, working temperance reform clubs which are doing good service in their respective fields. He visited Falmouth on Thursday, and found the need of similar efforts here so great that he made arrangements to hold a temperance reform meeting in the vestry of the Cong. church next Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock, and he extends a special invitation to all who are in any way addicted to the use of liquor, whether they be hard drinkers or moderate drinkers, and as he is himself a reformed man, he can make it interesting for all who come. Mr. Osgood intends extending his visit to neighboring towns as soon as he can.

THE TEMPERANCE MEETING at the Baptist church last Saturday evening was quite slimly attended, but the speakers were on hand, and after a friendly talk, adjourned one week to meet at the same place, time 6.30, all are invited.

DISTRICT COURT. At the District Court this week there have been four cases disposed of. On Monday William Kennedy of Three Rivers was tried and acquitted of the charge of being a common drunkard, and John Burns, of the same place, who pleaded guilty to a similar charge, was let off with a fine of \$15 and costs, amounting to \$23.98. On Wednesday morning John B. Boshman and Oliver Abate, two French Canadians, were up for an assault on Samuel Sanders. The evidence showed that these two men in company with others, went to the stable of Oscar C. Marcy and attempted to take away their teams, which they had put up there, without paying the bill, and all of them being more or less drunk, they made an assault upon Sam when he insisted upon payment, and a rough and tumble fight was the result, in which a good deal of blood was stirred up, and a little of it spilled on the ground, but Sam came off first. The judge fined Abate \$5 and costs, amounting to \$14.85, and Boshman \$5 and costs, amounting to \$17.85. They both paid their fines and seemed pleased to get off so easily. When will the Ware chaps learn to keep clear of the Palmer boys? They must always get worsted and have to pay the fiddler pretty well besides.

MONSON. The festival of the M. E. Church occurs on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Jan. 7th and 8th.—Mrs. Mary A. Smith was invited over to one of her neighbors on Christmas, and during her absence her mother (Mrs. J. R. Anderson) and several boarders set the table with a very nice China tea set of 56 pieces, and then sent for Mrs. Smith to "come and put the kettle on and we'll all take tea." There was a merry Christmas party, and the recipient of the tea set was not a little surprised. Miss S. F. Carter, although having lost the use of one arm and speaking only in a whisper, is trying to suit those who may call on her at Mrs. Colton's with worsteds, fancy goods, &c.

Monson, it is well known, has many virtues. Last Sunday we thought the Great Ruler had given us our due share of snow, at least for the present; but our good people got an effective snow-powder at work, drawn by two horses, one before the other, and a goodly number of people were at the churches.—On Wednesday night the Methodist held a watch meeting, commencing at 8 o'clock.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM. Christmas has come and gone. Many Christmas trees were erected in this vicinity, and both big and little folks have been remembered. A. O. Thresher gave an invitation to all his kindred to dine with him Christmas eve. His request was complied with, and three generations filled his house. After partaking of the abundance of eatables, all gathered around the Christmas tree, and nice presents were prepared for all. A jolly good time was enjoyed by all.—G. T. Ballard, M. D., who has been sick with typhoid fever six weeks, and confined to his room for five, is now able to dress and sit up half the day. It is hoped that he will be seen about the streets soon.—W. W. Simson is also recovering from the same disease.—Deputy Sheriff Warren is down with the mumps, which satisfies him without fever.—The great fall of snow Saturday evening and Sunday morning caused many vacant seats in church last Sabbath. Neither Methodists nor Baptists had what they called a quorum. The Congregationalists set their machinery in motion, and Mr. Chamberlain preached to 28 hearers.—There have been 14 deaths in the parish the past year, against 28 in 1872. Two were over 70 years old, one between 70 and 80, and one between 80 and 60.—The festival at the Methodist church Wednesday evening was a success. The reading by E. H. Rice, of Springfield, was one of his best efforts. "The Minister's Housekeeper" was the best received. The singing by the Harmonic Club, under the leadership of Amos Hines, was, as it always is, good. If anything was lacking it was a few more with pockets full of greenbacks to replenish the treasury. What the net proceeds of the meeting were is not known at this writing.

WARREN AND VICINITY.Ware National Bank pays a semi-annual dividend of 8 per cent. Jan. 1st.The watch meeting at the M. E. church on Wednesday evening was very well attended. The meeting closed a few moments after midnight."Eddy the printer" has just issued a neat and highly original local calendar for 1874, which is a great credit to his genius both in design and execution.The snow storm of Saturday night and Sunday was the heaviest of the season, the fall being about 15 inches. As the wind has not been very riotous since, nearly every road in town is in good condition. Mr. Goff having promptly started his teams on Monday there was no serious blockade at any point.

....On Sunday evening the house of Mr. Edward Ballard on South street was broken into and the thief carried off \$65 in cash and two watches. We think the robbery must have been committed by some one acquainted with the premises, for the reason

that few houses in town would pay for the risk, as few people here have that amount of money on hand this year.

....The Grange in Massachusetts seems to be in a prosperous condition. By referring to the secretary's books we find that five new Granges have been organized during the past week, all of them in the western part of the State. The deputies in the state now number seven, and those in the eastern portion are just beginning to push things. There will probably be 100 Granges represented at the State Grange, which will meet some time in February.

THE HYERS CONCERT. The celebrated Hyers Sisters and their troupe, the California vocalists, are to favor the citizens of Monson with a grand musical treat, Monday evening. The troupe is composed of good singers, and add to it the smaller country towns, so that Monson is particularly fortunate in having a chance to hear them. In Springfield where they have sung several times, they are very highly spoken of. Miss Anna Hyers is a soprano of the class called "phenomenal." She is said to sing E flat above the staff "as clear as an organ," and even to trill there; a feat of wonderful infrequency, and her voice is said to be as perfect from the low notes of the middle register all the way up. Emma Hyers' contralto is asserted to be one of the most remarkable, rich, equally capable of pure tenor, or baritone solos. The whole troupe are colored and sing many of the peculiar "spirited" of their race, though chiefly the higher order of oratorio music. We hope they may be greeted by a full house.

LITTLE JOTTINGS. —The old year is a "dead duck." —The new year "came up smiling." —Gone to Davy Jones' locker, The Virginias. —The young women of Kansas wear calico suits. —California yielded \$15,500,000 of gold the past year.

—A good time to make good resolutions and to pay your debts. —A Newark paper calls Brooklyn "The city of church quarrels." —The gamblers, of Cairo, Ill., have bought a new bell for the church. —Kentucky is getting debilitated and cries out for a new constitution.

—Marshall Bazaine has left Versailles for the Island of Sainte Marguerite. —How many times have you made a 3 when you should have made a 4 this year?

—A boy at Janesville, Wis., has swallowed a pistol cartridge and it won't go off. —Out of 40,000 passengers by rail in England last year but 1500 suffered from accidents. —They allow rum-drinking, stealing and murdering in New York on Sunday, but no dancing. —The cattle plague has broken out in Madefra, and cattle going thence to the gold coast are infected.

SAD ACCIDENT AT AMHERST.—A melancholy event at Amherst, Friday week, was the drowning of two sons of H. S. Read, late superintendent of schools, in Adams' mill-pond just west of the town, within the limits of Hadley. The eldest, William H. Read, aged 21, was a promising member of the sophomore class, in the college, while the younger boy was studying in the grammar school. It seems that another boy named Miller broke through the ice, and, in their attempts to save him, both the Read boys were drowned, while the Miller lad was rescued, the three being alone upon the pond. Mr. Read is now travelling agent for Johnson's atlas; those two boys were the only children of the family. The event cast a gloom over all the village.

REMINDER OF A TRAGIC AFFAIR.—The deep snow which has fallen on the western plains reminds the pioneers of the Donner party who were on their way to California before the railroad was built. The Donner family camped on bare ground at night fall, and got up to find themselves in a waste of deep and trackless snow. They stayed there all through the winter, starving with in a mile of a lake which was full of fish. When they chopped down trees they left stumps standing twenty-five feet from the ground, which are still pointed out to the shuddering traveller. After eating their cattle they devoured each other, until none was left but a German servant man. In the spring a party from California came upon the camp and saw the German crouching over a fire, insanely devouring his horrible repast.

SHOCKING AFFAIR AT BIDEFORD, ME.—On Christmas Day a dreadful affair happened at a house in Bideford, Me., occupied by Patrick Hobbins and family and Joseph Sansior and wife. Hobbins got drunk, and going into the rooms of Sansior attempted to expel him, when he drew a sharp knife and plunged it into Sansior's face, cutting a gash over the left jaw. Another blow with the murderous weapon severed the left temporal artery, from which the blood rushed in great quantities, and Sansior fell to the floor. Hobbins then attacked his wife, thrusting his knife into her left arm, severing a number of veins, and inflicting a dangerous wound. He then went out into the street and was soon arrested.

On Sunday night, the New York police surprised a ball which was in full blast at the Union Assembly rooms, at the corner of Grand and Elizabeth streets, which was complained of as being frequented almost exclusively by disreputable characters of both sexes. About 200 men and seventy-five women were captured. Nearly all the men are known to the police as thieves.

Roscoe Carson of Warren, acting foreman on the new railroad bridge across the Connecticut river at Springfield, fell from the bridge to the ice below on Wednesday, and received injuries which are expected to prove fatal.

The Rev. Seth A. Clark, a missionary in the western part of Kansas, has a portable church tent, capable of seating 700 persons. He has two good mules and a wagon on springs, furnished expressly for the transportation of his church from place to place.

The first lady ever appointed a collector of internal revenue in Mrs. S. M. Parker of the fourth Indiana district.

The Des Moines men are forming a society to aid the ladies in their "Dress for \$50 a year" movement.

Mr. Colfax received a Christmas present of a buggy.

Ohio is virtuous; only twenty county treasurers have defalcated.

The Social Board—The Boston School Board, after the women get installed.

Orders have been issued from Washington to discontinue recruiting for the navy.

Moses Tenney of Grafton, Me., a blind pauper, 88 years old, is under arrest for murdering his wife.

Vassalboro, Maine, has a prodigal wife, who, after nine years among the Shakers, returns to her husband.

Virginia has thrown off the weeds of widowhood and energetically betaken herself to the cultivation of her own.

A boy in one of the New Haven schools has just made a shirt. Have women no rights, no exclusive privilege?

A thirty-five-year-old widower of Buffalo has recently been married by his rich mother-in-law, a widow of sixty.

A Brooklyn man who contemplates taking his girls to Europe next spring, is having a Diana swimming-bath dug in his cellar.

A frugal agriculturist in Venango county recently charged the friends who attended his daughter's wedding for their dinner and horse feed.

The physicians of Memphis propose to erect a monument to the memory of their brethren who died during the pestilence, last Summer.

A religious notice lately published in St. Louis invited all the Christians in the city to come to a prayer-meeting. The crowd was not very dense.

Mr. Sixbury of Jefferson County, N. Y., might have been 300 years old, this Christmas, but he would drink, and perish, last week, at the age of 110.

A Pennsylvania paper, in giving an account of a shooting affray, says the wounded man is expected to recover, as the ball lodged in his dinner-pail.

A man in Ploche, Nev., the other day accidentally discharged his gun. The rage of the citizens was fearful to behold when they ascertained no one was killed.

Mrs. Benjamin F. Little of Huntington committed suicide by drowning herself in a mill-race near the village, Thursday night. Domestic trouble was the cause.

A deformed, idiotic Digger Indian, with hair ingeniously glued to his person to represent an animal's hide, has been on exhibition in San Francisco as the "Bear boy."

An insane man who committed suicide in New York the other night, left directions that his head be given to Fowler & Wells, phrenologists. This firm encourages dead-heads.

The Rev. J. F. Moore of the Unitarian Church at Greenfield, and member of the new Massachusetts House of Representatives, has been invited to the Presidency of Antioch College, Ohio.

"Beware of vidders," is the pertinent advice given to Samuel Kenoga of Kankakee, Ill., who is trying to be Postmaster, although three widows are rival candidates for the office.

Mr. Moffat Graham, ex-State Senator and ex-President of the Walkill National Bank of Middletown, N. Y., was placed on trial, Monday, charged with embezzling a large amount of the bank's funds.

Edward H. Higgins of Springfield, freight conductor on the Boston and Albany Railroad, was run over by a couple of cars on Monday, and one of his legs was broken and he received severe internal injuries.

He said it was too cold to get up, and she said it wasn't her place to kindle fires, and she wouldn't, and they both lay abed thirty odd hours in Portland, Me. She, pretty hungry by that time, thought better of it.

While Zelotes Stevens was promenading one of the streets of Concord, N. H., on Friday, in company with a Mrs. Clement, Mr. Clement put in an appearance, cowed in hand, and proceeded to thrash the destroyer of his domestic bliss.

Mr. D. A. Gage, ex-Treasurer of Chicago, has turned over to the city authorities all his property, in satisfaction of the treasury deficit. The property has been placed in the hands of a trustee, and will be sold as fast as possible for the benefit of the city.

On Monday Amasa Allard of Southbridge committed suicide by cutting his throat on the road, about a mile from the town. The deed was supposed to have been done to avoid going to the poor house, as it was intended to take him there soon. He was between 70 and 80 years of age.

TALMAGE'S SERMONS.—The sermons and articles of T. De Witt Talmage, which formerly were published in The Methodist and The Interior, are now furnished only to The Christian at Work, of which journal Mr. Talmage has recently become editor. Office, 102 Chambers street, N. Y. See advertisement. The Methodist said, awhile since: "Mr. Talmage's sermons are thoroughly evangelical, and are receiving the widest attention. He is the most popular preacher of the day."

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Inventors often fail of securing a patent for really valuable articles through too little care in the selection of a solicitor to transact their business with the Patent Office; and many are put to much needless expense in striving to secure letters patent for articles or designs either unpatentable in their nature or merely reiterations of something heretofore patented. Mr. R. H. Eddy, of Boston, who has appeared in our paper many times, is thoroughly conversant with all details necessary to speedily procure foreign and American patents, while his experience and success for more than thirty years in the business give him the confidence of all. Those wishing to file caveats, procure patents, extensions, or secure trademarks and designs, will do well to avail themselves of his great research in drawing specifications and avoiding conflicting claims.—*Boston Daily Globe.*

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BORN.

At Palmer, 30th ult., a son to DEXTER B. PACKARD.

At Ware, 30th ult., a son to CHARLES ALVEY.

MARRIED.

At Monson, 25th ult., by Rev. C. B. SUMNER, THOMAS H. STILES and M. ANGE WILSON.

DIED.

At Palmer, 30th ult., infant son of DEXTER B. PACKARD.

At Three Rivers, 25th ult., KATIE ROSSBOTT, 31.

At Duckville, 21st ult., JOHN S. SULLIVAN, 50.

At Indianapolis, 24th ult., CAROLINE, 46, wife of J. H. Finkner, formerly of Staffordville, Ct., and sister of A. L. Holt, formerly of Palmer.

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale one pair of good WORKING OXEN, 8 years old, weighing about 3400 or 3500 pounds. They are well trained, and of a bright red color. For terms apply to

WALTER U. ROYCE, Jr.,
Ware, Mass., Jan. 1, 1874.

ENGINE MEETING.

A meeting of the Major Morgan Engine Company will be held at Antigue Hall on Wednesday evening, Jan. 7th, at 7 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

Palmer, Jan. 3d, 1874. A. A. HAWKES, Clerk.

THE CALIFORNIA VOCALISTS.

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Comprising the following Artists:

Miss ANNA MADAM HYERS,.....SOPRANO.
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" J. W. LUCAS,.....BARTONE.
" A. C. TAYLOR,.....PIANIST.

The programme will include some of those popular songs of the South, as well as Sacred and Operatic Selections.

POPULAR PRICES. Reserved seats for sale at the usual places two days in advance. The Plano used is from the warerooms of E. F. COUCH, 350 Main Street, Springfield.

AT MONSON,
MONDAY EVENING, Jan. 5th.

AT WARRE,
TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 6th, 11th.

By request, third Grand Concert at Opera House, Springfield, Jan. 4th.

1874 H. M. HITCHCOCK, Agent.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank will be held at the banking room on Monday, Jan. 5th, 1874, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

M. W. FRENCH, Treas.
Palmer, Dec. 20, 1873.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

To Edwin G. Sumner of Mansfield, county of Windham, State of Connecticut, supposed to be the owner of the equity of the following described premises: To Richard H. Earle of Palmer, in the county of Hampden, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, mortgagee, and to all other persons interested therein: By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by said Richard H. Earle to Henry P. Holden, dated May 6th, 1873, and recorded with the Registry of Deeds, Book 302, Page 263, and for a breach of the condition of said mortgage deed, will be sold at public auction, upon the premises, on Monday, the second day of February, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

All and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon standing, situate in said town of Palmer, and described as follows, to wit: Beginning on Margaret and Jane McMaisters' road leading from Margaret and Jane McMaisters' to Northampton, at a stone set in the ground on line of Jonathan Gates' land, thence W. 21° S. 27° E. 17 rods and 17 links to a stake on the corner of said Gates' land, thence W. 74° S. 42 rods to a stake and stone on said Gates' south-west corner, being on line of Harding Hunt, thence S. 42° E. 33 rods to a stake and stone, on line of land belonging to the town of Palmer, and a corner of said Hunt's land, thence S. 82° E. N. 603 rods to a pine tree, at a corner of said town farm, thence north-easterly 34½ rods to a small apple tree, with a stone set in the ground, on the western side of said county road 32½ rods to the first mentioned bound, containing twenty acres more or less, being the same premises conveyed to said Earle by Elisha Warner, by deed dated April 5th, 1873, and recorded with the Registry of Deeds, Book 298, Page 459.

The above premises will be sold subject to a prior mortgage given to secure the sum of \$300.

Terms and conditions made known at the time and place of sale.

HENRY P. HOLDEN, Mortgagee.
Palmer, Jan. 2d, 1874.

PAIN-KILLER.

1840. 1874.

Time tests the merits of all things.

THIRTY YEARS is certainly long enough time to prove the efficacy of any medicine, and that the Pain-Killer is deserving of all its proprietors' claim for it, is amply proved by the unparalleled popularity it has attained. It is a sure and effective remedy. It is sold in almost every country in the world, and it needs only to be known to be prized, and its reputation as a Medicine of Great Virtue, is fully and permanently established. It is the great Family Medicine of the age. Taken internally, it cures dysentery, cholera, diarrhoea, cramp and pain in the stomach, bowel complaint, painter's colic, liver complaint, dyspepsia, or indigestion, sudden colds, sore throat and coughs. Taken externally, it cures bruises, boils, felons, cuts, burns, scalds, old sores and sprains, swellings of the joints, toothache, pain in the face, neuralgia and rheumatism, chapped hands, frost bitten feet, &c.

Pain is supposed to be the lot of our poor mortals, as inevitable as death, and liable at any time to come upon us. Therefore, it is important that remedial agents should be at hand to be used on emergency, when we are made to feel the excruciating agony of pain, or the depressing influence of disease. Such a remedial agent in Perry Davis' "Pain-Killer," the fame of which has extended all over the earth. Amid the eternal ices of the Polar regions, or beneath the intolerable and burning suns of the tropics, its virtues are known and appreciated. And by it suffering humanity has found relief from many of its ills. The effect of the Pain-Killer upon the patient, when taken internally in cases of cough, cold, bowel complaint, cholera, dysentery, and other affections of the system, has been truly wonderful, and has won for it a name among medical preparations that can never be forgotten. Its success in removing pain, as an external remedy, in cases of burns, bruises, sores and sprains, cuts, stings of insects, and other causes of suffering has secured for it the most prominent position among the medicinal agents of the age.

Sold by Druggists and Grocers.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—HAMPDEN, ss.—December 13, 1873. By virtue of an execution which I issued on a judgment in favor of the PALMER SAVINGS BANK, a corporation duly established by law and doing business in Palmer, in said county at the last term of the Superior Court for said county held for civil business, I have taken said right and equity that PETER FURKEY, late of said Palmer, now of parts unknown had on the tenth day of February, 1873, to redeem certain parcels of real estate lying in said Palmer, that being the same land and the same attached on mesne process. The first tract is situate on the northerly side of the road leading from the village of Northampton, and is bounded southerly by said road, westerly by land of William Hastings, northerly by land of E. G. Murdoch, and easterly by land occupied by the house of said Furkey, containing about 9 acres, and being the same described in mortgage deed from said Furkey to Keyes Foster, recorded in the Registry of Deeds for said county, Book 292, page 470, to secure twelve hundred dollars and interest, and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. The second tract is bounded northerly and easterly on road leading from the house of said Furkey to Palmer Centre, southerly by land of Michael Connor and land formerly of said Furkey, and easterly by land formerly of said Furkey, containing about 9 acres, and being the same described in mortgage deed from said Furkey to Marshall Fox, recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 283, page 469, to secure three hundred and fifty dollars and interest, and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. And on Saturday, the 24th day of January next, at 2 o'clock, p. m., I shall offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, said right of redemption to satisfy said execution and all charges of sale.

GEORGE W. RANDALL, Deputy Sheriff.

"SIMON SAYS THUMBS UP."

A week in market has satisfied us that those who are deferring their winter purchases expecting to buy less, or even as well, make a mistake; especially in this true of BOOTS and SHOES, particularly in this true of RUBBERS.

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SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Eastern Hampden Thier Detecting Society will be held at the Antigue House, Monday evening, Jan. 5th, 1874, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of choosing a treasurer, to fill a vacancy, and to transact any and all other business that may properly come before the meeting.

H. J. LAWRENCE, Sec'y.
Palmer, Dec. 22d, 1873.

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GOODS MUST BE SOLD.

Having fully decided to return to Europe the coming season, I am determined to close out my entire stock at some price. I wish in the first place to call your attention to the fact that I am not offering old or inferior goods, but the latest styles, and selected with great care for my trade. I shall sell

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The following lot of goods, consisting of a very large lot of Black and Fancy Silks, Irish and French Poplins, Spanglines, Cashmores, Tulle, Embroidered Black Alpaca, Brilliantines, Silk Velveteens, a very large line of Cloaks and Furs, a great variety of Shawls, Striped, Plaid and Mixed. Also a good line of Table Linen and Bedspreads.

Being obliged to close up my business preparatory to going to Europe, to those buying for cash

I ask simply to see my Goods and Prices.

Before going to Springfield or Boston, as such an opportunity will never come within your reach again. I wish to make this sale as near Cash as possible, and in order to do so my prices will be a satisfactory inducement to parties to raise the cash.

This sale will continue till the whole stock is closed out.

Also a Chance to make a Fortune!

My Four Horses, Cart and Route For Sale.

Parties meaning business may address me by mail at Holyoke, Mass. I will sell a part or the whole, to suit Customers.

HERMAN BECKER.

Parties indebted to me will please settle accounts.

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The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 1874.

TEN legislatures are now in session. Think of the amount of law-making that must take place before they get through.

The result of the investigation into the sinking of the steamer Ville du Havre is that nobody was to blame. That is a verdict we hear too often.

HOLYOKE became an infant city on Monday, Mayor Pierson making a lengthy address on the occasion, and all hands celebrating the event with an all-night ball.

OUR representative, Mr. Dawes, gets the estimates for the next fiscal year, commencing July 1st, cut down twenty millions, which is a very good beginning for this Congress.

THE new mayor of Springfield—Mayor Stebbins—talked very sensibly in his inaugural address on Monday, and if he and the new government will carry out what he suggests the city will be very well governed through 1874.

THE Winnebago Indians, in Wisconsin, who are civilized and live in their own houses, have schools and other refinements, are being hunted down by soldiers and taken off to the Missouri River where a reservation is provided for them. It is downright cruelty to remove them.

THE Hampden County Commissioners organized on Wednesday, Mr. Townsley gracefully giving place to Lawson Sibley, the new man. The board chose James Kirkham of Springfield, Chas. L. Gardner of Palmer, and R. W. Kellogg of Southwick, overseers of the House of Correction, and appointed Dr. A. R. Rice county physician.

WE get a little bank defalcation as near as Holyoke, where T. S. Bacon, cashier of the Holyoke National Bank, proves to be a thief to the amount of \$4,669.83. He was accidentally discovered in making a wrong entry, or he might have gone on till his defalcations had reached larger dimensions. His bondsmen are good and the bank will lose nothing. Chas. B. Fisk, formerly of this office, has been appointed temporary cashier.

SOME maiden ladies by the name of Smith, rich in money, and live stock, refuse to pay their taxes in the town of Glastonbury, Ct., till they can be allowed to vote, on the principal that taxation without representation is tyranny. On account of this refusal the tax collector seized nine of their cows and will sell them at public auction to pay the tax. These lone maidens are sorely grieved at the prospect, and resort to the newspapers to give vent to their sorrows.

THE State constabulary are having another spasm of activity, and to show the new legislature that they are no respecters of persons, a few days ago they made a descent on Parker's Hotel, at Boston, a fashionable resort for wine and liquor parties. The haul of liquor was comparatively small for such a place, and no doubt the proprietor was satisfied with what they carried off. It is notorious that during the past six months the constables have been fooling with the liquor dealers, and the people are pretty thoroughly disgusted with them.

THIS is a singular winter. In November we were shivering with the cold, and predicting a hard season; but since winter took the helm the weather has been furnishing some remarkable changes—one day furnishing a huge snow storm that blocked the roads, the next a rain that turned the snow to slush, and the next a fog so heavy and dense that the atmosphere became almost too thick for respiration. With rain, snow, hail, fog, and unusual dampness, our winter has been made. If a streak of cold does not follow our January thaw then all weather precedents will be at fault.

THE Castellar Republic in Spain came to an end on Saturday. The Cortes manifested its disapprobation by a majority of 20. Castellar did not resign, but broke up the session by armed soldiers who marched in and took possession. The Cortes subsequently convened and appointed a new ministry, with Serrano for president. It is feared that the next step will be a restoration of the monarchy with Prince Alfonso as King. He is the son of Queen Isabella, and Castellar is his reputed father, it being well known that the Queen was rather doubtful of the paternity of her children, and that Serrano was for some time her intimate adviser.

MEN of large intellectual powers are supposed to have large and heavy brains, and it is customary to weigh the brains of such men after they are dead. Sometimes, however, the rule is the reverse of what is calculated on. Prof. Agassiz's brain was not much above the medium weight, though quite large, and we have no doubt it would be found that a good many blockheads in the country would turn out quite as weighty an amount of brains as some of the savans who are reckoned wiser than others. We suspect that it is the quality and not the quantity of brains which makes highly intellectual men and women. Another kink has recently been discovered concerning brains—that some of the organs as located by Spruzheim are quite differently situated, so we are a good deal in the fog about this brain business under all the light that can be thrown upon it.

The Legislature—The Governor's Message.

The Great and General Court assembled at Boston last Wednesday, and organized with the officers of last year, with the exception of clerk of the House, which place was filled by Geo. A. Marden of Lowell. After the organization, both branches, with the executive department, marched to the Hollis street church and listened to the election sermon by Rev. Richard Greene of Springfield.

The message of the Governor was delivered on Thursday, in which he states that the debt of the State is \$28,477,804.00, and he estimates that the current expenses of the present year will be \$5,245,000.00, and that after using up the means on hand a tax of from one and a half to two millions of dollars will be needed.

The difficulties concerning the South Boston flats have been arranged so that 100 acres will be laid out into streets, and made a source of considerable revenue.

The new Normal School buildings at Worcester, Westfield and Bridgewater have been built during the past year, and all the schools are crowded with scholars.

The new State prison has been located at Concord, and the new insane asylum at Danvers. On the prison question the Governor takes modern views, urging classification and greater efforts to reform the criminals. He also deplores the condition of our county jails, where murderers, thieves, drunkards, and men under arrest, but not convicted of crime, are herded together.

On the liquor law the Governor waxes earnest and eloquent. He thinks the present law the best that we have ever had, and tells the legislature they can expect no favors from him in any direction sanctioning license.

The Labor Bureau is made the subject of some very remarks on the importance of obtaining full and accurate information regarding our laboring population. He finds many thousands of children in our crowded cities and manufacturing centers who never enter a schoolroom, and are growing up without the rudiments of education. The blame for this rests upon parents as well as employers. The Governor thinks that the English system of half time for children under fifteen years of age would work well, and he also promises his approval to a ten-hour law.

With regard to military affairs, the Governor relates what has been done to improve the new Military Camp Ground, which he is confident will prove a great gain to the State. The new military law is working well, the militia now numbering 5528. The Hoosac Tunnel is dwelt upon as a monument of engineering skill worthy of grateful recognition to those who have executed it. In eight months the work will be ready for railway use, and the work on the Greenfield route is going forward satisfactorily. The Governor believes that the solution of the question now concerning the Tunnel will be found in a board of trustees, who should operate the State's interest according to their best judgment. In this way it is hoped that the great outlay which has been made will prove beneficial in many respects, and profitable.

The Governor closes with an earnest exhortation to the Senators and Representatives in favor of "the greatest frugality, and such retrenchment as is possible, in every department of the State."

JAMES PARKER, the well known conductor on the B. & A. Railroad, died at his residence in Springfield on Friday morning, Jan. 2d. For thirty years he had been a conductor between Springfield and Boston, and for the past year superintendent of the New York and Boston express line. His face was as familiar to the passengers over the road as the trains upon which he rode. He was always a favorite with the traveling public, and received many testimonials of their esteem. He was a valuable officer of the road, a kind friend, an honorable, upright citizen. He was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 1871, and was re-elected to the present legislature. His funeral occurred on Sunday, and was very largely attended, a train of cars from Boston bringing about 300 persons to pay their last respects to him.

THE new city government of Springfield propose a pretty clean sweep of the police department, although it now looks as if City Marshal Pease would be retained. Deputy Sheriff Lewis has been mentioned for that office, but as he is pluming his wings for a flight into Sheriff Bradley's position next fall, he will not take the marshalship, and there don't seem to be any place else in the city so well fitted for the place as Mr. Pease. A Mr. Lachure, assistant marshal under Mr. Megett a few years ago, is expected to take charge of the fire department, and if the new mayor does not spoil this program by a little firmness, the efficient fire organization of the city will be a good deal demoralized.

WILLIAMS, candidate for chief justice, has taken himself out of the way, and President Grant is looking out for a new man. The newspapers killed Williams.

Little Jottings.

—There are now thirty-one Unitarian churches in Boston.

—There are 53,000 horses in Maine. No census has been taken of the asses.

—The latest dodge in books—Returning borrowed volumes as Christmas presents.

—The Chinese in Nevada are accused of piling up the millings of a large number of trade dollars.

—The widow of the late Gov. Marcus Morton died in Taunton, on Friday, 26th ult., aged eighty years.

—Louis Kossuth, revolutionary Governor of Hungary in 1849, and now old and poor, gives lessons in German, English and Hungarian at Turin.

—A Wisconsin paper is "sorry to record" that the reported loss of an unknown vessel at Bailey's Harbor, with all on board, is untrue.

—Judge Borden of New Bedford recently fined the janitor of a drinking club for selling liquor to a member.

—The Ohio Railroads killed 200 persons and wounded 398 during the year ending the 30th of last June.

The first passenger train over the extension of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad to Winchendon, was run on Thursday, taking a party of prominent citizens from Gardner, Worcester and other places on the road. At Winchendon the excursionists were entertained in fine style by the citizens of the place. All the arrangements have now been completed for connections with the Cheshire and Monadnock Railroad at Winchendon, running north.

Special meetings were held in Boston Tuesday, by the stockholders of the Vermont and Massachusetts railroad to act upon the proposed lease of that road to the Fitchburg railroad for 999 years, and of the stockholders of the Boston and Albany to act upon the proposal to authorize the directors to lease the Ware River Railroad for a similar term of years. Both leases were ratified by very large majorities.

The catalogue of Amherst College for 1873-74 shows the whole number of students in attendance at that institution to be 308; seniors 66, juniors 57, sophomores 86, freshmen 94. The faculty now consists of 26 professors, lecturers and instructors. The libraries contain about 39,000 volumes. The college has a fund of \$70,000, the income of which is distributed among needy students.

A little girl of Mrs. E. P. Terhune (Marion Harland) died a few days ago in Newark, N. J., and it is said that her death was caused by a shock received about a year ago while playing in the woods with a little girl, who jumped out upon her suddenly from behind a tree.

One of those analytical chemists who are always making remarkable discoveries, has discovered that a two-pound loaf of bread contains as much alcohol as a glass of light beer. Luckily bread is not a beverage, or it might receive unwelcome attention from prohibitionists.

A speaker in one of the New York legislative caucuses was saying, "I come here for \$3 a day, when I might have \$300 elsewhere," and a voice called out from the lobby, "You can make it here if you go the right way about it." The gentleman wilted.

Nathaniel French, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Masons, and Representative Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, was murdered in New York last July, and the fact was undiscovered until a day or two since.

Herolam, a Vermont paper thinks, is limited, after all. A girl who, the other day, jumped into the Merrimack River and rescued a drowning child, fainted away when she saw her false curls floating down the stream.

Two seamen and the steward of the German barquentine Adolph von Barth were suffocated by coal gas at Wilmington, N. C., Friday night. Two other seamen are in a critical condition from the same causes.

Massachusetts has lost one city by the annexation of Charlestown to Boston, but three new cities have been added to the list during the year, Newton, Holyoke and Gloucester.

An Indianapolis man has just remarried the wife who left him twenty-eight years ago to join the Shakers; he has been married three times during the interval of separation.

The Boston papers complain that in the churches as in the theatres in that city the seats are all reserved. No man can reasonably expect to be saved without paying for it.

Mrs. Colt of Hartford, according to a Norwich paper, takes a walk through her revolver manufactory twice a week. This is peculiar military exercise for a colt.

Welcome to all; come in; don't ring the bell, was posted on Beecher's door, New Year's day. Some eight hundred paid their respects to the pastor.

A Green Bay (Wis.) dentist recently suspended work on a young lady's teeth for a moment and kissed her. The next day he paid the girl's father \$300.

Owing to the extreme dull and blue times, an up country druggist advertises to sell opium for 75 cents an ounce and morphine for 75 cents a bottle.

The French admiral has exonerated the Ville du Havre from all blame, and charge the disaster upon the Loch Earn. Captain Surmont is exonerated.

Quincy, Ill., is a good place for Boston emigrants. A grocer in that town has given a bad boy forty dozen eggs for the benefit of lecturers.

They hung a man in Morgan County, Me., the other day. He owned that he lived there forty-six years and never tasted a drop of whiskey.

A jury in Iowa recently awarded a locomotive engineer \$10,000 damages for injuries received while in the discharge of his duties.

A funeral of 20,000 persons recently followed the remains of an Indian prince, in Cashmere, who died of small pox.

Milwaukee expended \$2,000,000 last year on new buildings, including two churches and two breweries.

St. Louis complains that its water is too thick and its gas too thin. Mud and darkness prevail.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICE.
Ladies' boots and shoes, in all styles, made to measure by F. M. Eager, American House Block, Palmer, Mass.

Our shoe shop employs fourteen hands.

The river rose rapidly after the heavy rain of Wednesday night.

The annual meeting of the 2d Cong. church was held Friday afternoon.

Sunday School Concert at 2d Cong. church to-morrow afternoon. All are welcome.

The Nassawanno House maintains a private billiard room for the benefit of its guests.

It is hoped that the rest of the Sundays in this month will not follow the example of the first.

Rev. Mr. Winter, the temperance lecturer, taught the high school in this village some 15 years ago.

The Hyers Sisters and troupe were the guests of Mr. Henry Jones last Monday, dining at his hospitable board.

Only one case, a Thorndike drunk, was before the District Court for trial, since our last issue, and none this week.

A special train was run to Monson Monday evening to accommodate about 40 persons who attended the concert of the Hyers sisters.

W. M. Kurtz was elected W. C. T. of the Good Templars at their last meeting. The lodge is reditting and improving its lodge room, and initiations are frequent.

The oldest physician of North Brookfield, Dr. Joseph Paver, died on Tuesday afternoon, at the age of 84, after having practiced medicine in the town for over 40 years.

Conductor Hastings has so far recovered from the injuries received at the recent railroad accident as to be out, and we hope to see him at his old post before many weeks.

Special trains on Wednesday and Thursday evenings brought back from Springfield many Palmer people who attended the spectacular drama of "The Magic Talsman."

Frank Twiss, well known in Three Rivers, died in that village very suddenly Friday morning. Cause of death unknown. He was apparently in good health up to the day of his death.

A new snow-plow is being built at the Boston & Albany shops for the Ware River R. R. and several new passenger and a new baggage car have been added to the rolling stock of the road.

The young people of the village are moving for the formation of a literary and dramatic club, and met at the house of J. A. Squier, Friday evening of this week to perfect an organization.

The weather bureau is making a considerable batch of its reports this week. It is hard even for "old probabilities" to prophesy what the weather will be during the first week of January.

There is to be a social dance given at the Nassawanno Hall, next Wednesday evening, Jan. 14th, in connection with T. A. Holland's dancing school. Four pieces of music have been engaged, and all dancers are invited.

A party of young people in a country village gave up a contemplated sleighride Tuesday because it was the week of prayer—but then there was no sleighing, so their self-denial was not so praiseworthy as it might have been.

M. W. French, the executor of the estate of the late S. A. Hitchcock of Brimfield, has complied with the expressed wish of the deceased and paid over \$5000 to Rev. William Pond, for the benefit of the Oakland, Cal., theological seminary.

The Methodist society of Palmer are arranging for a festival, and have decided to hold it on the evenings of the 21st and 22d inst., instead of the 14th and 15th, as was announced from the pulpit last Sabbath. Look out for a good time.

Several interesting meetings have been held at the Congregational vestry this week, and it was decided to re-establish the weekly Tuesday evening prayer-meeting which has been discontinued during the past year for want of interest.

Billiards is a favorite game among the young men of our town, and occasionally we have to note a remarkable "run" made by some amateur. Now William Mason of this village rises to say that on Saturday last he made one run of 102 points, which is considered hard to be beaten except by "professionals."

The Rev. Dr. L. R. Thayer, presiding elder of the Springfield district, has made the following appointments to visit the Methodist churches in this vicinity during the first three months of 1874: Enfield, Feb. 14 and 15 a. m.; Belchertown, Feb. 15 afternoon; Bondville, 15 evening; Palmer, March 14 and 15 a. m.; Ludlow, 15th m.; Wilbraham, 15th evening; South Wilbraham, 22d.

William A. Weld and George Mason were the recipients of a very pleasant surprise visit from the young people of this village Friday evening of last week at the house of J. A. Squier. It was the largest gathering of young people that has been seen in our village this winter, and the evening was very pleasantly passed, with music and dancing, social games and conversation, until a late hour.

ed. But it looks as though there was a good time coming when we shall be favored with at least one good public hall, which will be a paying investment for the proprietor and certainly be a great benefit to the village.

The State Constables have been unusually attentive to this village this week, and they have met with good success in their raids. On Wednesday they made two seizures, and early Friday morning they came again and made three more visits, and seized small lots of liquor in each place. Constable Hutchinson deserves credit for the manner in which this last raid was conducted. It was really a surprise visit to the astonished victims, and they had no time to hide their liquor before the officers were on them. Mr. Hutchinson was accompanied by officers Randall and Smith.

The question as to whether the Bible should be read in our public schools is one that has caused a great deal of discussion all over the country, and in most cases people have acknowledged that it was not only right but proper that the opening exercise of the school should be from the good book, but the high school in our village has this time so fully occupied in the study of Latin and Greek, that it has no time for the slightest recognition of the book which almost all of us have been accustomed to read at the opening of the school session, ever since we were old enough to read. But the times change.

The special meeting of the E. H. Thiel Detecting Society Monday evening, accepted the resignation of M. W. French, and elected Geo. Robinson as treasurer in his stead. Persons who have not yet paid their membership fee are requested to hand the same, \$3, to the secretary, at this office, and any one wishing to join the association can do so by calling at the same place, signing the constitution and paying the three dollar fee. As has already been said the society is for the purpose of pursuing thieves who have taken property, belonging to any of the members, and some thirty names are already on the roll of members.

At his morning service last Sunday, Rev. Mr. Falerston gave some interesting statistics concerning the 2d Cong. church during the year 1873, as follows: Number of prayer meetings held 168; contributions for benevolent purposes, \$234.34, against \$196.89 in 1872; 14 have been added to the church, and 2 dismissed; funerals during the year 14, of whom 5 were members of the church; 74 persons have been added during his pastorate here; the Sabbath school now numbers 173 against 147 in January, 1873, a gain of 26, notwithstanding 25 have left town; the average attendance was 86, largest 126, smallest 27. The number of public services, including S. S. C. C. C. and communion services was 103.

The Institute of the Worcester south agricultural society will hold a meeting at the Town Hall on Tuesday, Jan. 13th, at 10 a. m., to discuss agricultural matters. Prof. Stockbridge of Amherst will also deliver an address.

A singing school has been formed under the direction and leadership of Mr. Penn Tyler from Springfield. Mr. John B. Bel has quite a residence for Dr. J. C. Yale well on the way, it is expected that it will be ready to occupy by spring. The Methodist society have recently been holding a series of meetings, assisted by Mr. Peter Jones, a colored man, formerly a slave, which were highly successful, and quite a number were converted. Workmen are busily engaged in finishing the vestry of the new church. The ladies of the society are busily engaged in getting ready for a fair and festival when the vestry is completed. A Masonic lodge has been formed here and have hired the handsome hall in Coburn's Block. The hall is nearly furnished.

PALMER SAVINGS BANK.

At the annual meeting of the Incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank, last Monday, Wm. N. Flynt of Monson was elected President, and Franklin Morgan, Enos Calkins, of Palmer, and H. F. Brown of Brimfield, vice-presidents. Secretary, J. G. Allen. Trustees—G. M. Fisk, H. P. Wakefield, John Foster, E. Brown, S. R. Lawrence, R. L. Goddard, J. S. Loomis, M. W. French, of Palmer, Ira G. Potter of Wilbraham, J. G. Longley of Belchertown, A. L. Converse of Brimfield. The bank has 943 depositors, and received \$124,106 in deposits during the past year. Total amount of deposits \$255,232.62; cash on hand \$15,330.83; surplus, after paying a dividend of 3 per cent. for the past six months, \$2,510.83. At a meeting of the trustees on the same day, E. Brown of this village was chosen treasurer, in place of M. W. French, who had resigned.

THE REFORM CLUB.

As we prophesied in a late issue of this paper the temperance cause in this village has taken a fresh start since the holidays. Mr. J. K. Osgood, the well-known temperance reformer from Maine announced a lecture in this village on Wednesday evening, but the storm necessitated a postponement of the meeting until Thursday evening, when, although the notice had not been very thoroughly circulated, the vestry was quite well filled, and the audience was very attentive throughout. Mr. Geo. Robinson presided, and introduced the lecturer, who held the close attention of the audience for an hour by a graphic sketch of his own life, and at the close called upon the audience to come forward and sign the pledge, and some forty persons, young and old, came forward and enrolled their names on the pledge book. It was then proposed to organize an open temperance society to be known as the "Palmer Temperance Reform Club," and G. C. Willard, secretary. The remaining officers of the club will be elected at the next meeting on Monday evening next, at the vestry. A good deal of enthusiasm was manifested, and the club starts under very favorable auspices. All are cordially invited to be present. Mr. Osgood will undoubtedly deliver another address before the society in a few weeks. The pledge book is ready for signatures and may be found at the store of Mr. Robinson, the president of the club.

MONSON.

Money here is no longer so very tight. Many are finally paying up their debts, and others are getting ready to—Monson Academy's prospering. A large number of pupils are in attendance. The principal, Rev. Chas. Hammond, is working hard for the interests of the school, with encouraging success. Mr. Hamilton White, recently gave little Willie Silverthorn a nice new corn-popper, and he said, "Thank you, sir." And what little Yankee boy would not? Let some other gentleman do likewise with a boy and try it. The mudling tried hard to rule in Monson last Sunday, but as is generally the case in America, the people gained the victory, so that many worshipped God in the churches. There was a good religious interest at the

M. E. church in the evening. Green's Hall was quite well filled, Monday evening, to hear the Hyers Sisters and their troupe, and very few who were present went away dissatisfied, nearly all acknowledging that the high praise the troupe has received in other places was well deserved. Even the boys were charmed into silence, and made no disturbance during the evening. Where all were so good it is sufficient to simply say that they fully sustained the good reputation they have earned, and we doubt not a full house will greet them when they return to Monson in a few weeks for a second concert. The date will be announced in due time, and a special train will probably be run from Palmer to accommodate those from that village, who desire to hear good music, if they do have to go four or five miles for the privilege.

WARE AND VICINITY.

Comical Brown did not draw as good a house as usual.

Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield preached at the Unitarian church last Sabbath.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ware National Bank occurs on Tuesday next, at 2 p. m.

Spaulding's Bell Ringers will give one of their popular concerts at Music Hall, on the evening of Jan. 17th.

Wm. Atherton of Winchester, N. H., is conducting a very successful singing school at the Center the present winter.

When are the county commissioners going to report about our roads? It will be about time if we wait a month longer.

Postmaster J. W. Cumlugs issued 122 money orders in December, amounting to \$1,187.19, and paid thirty, amounting to \$618.14.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of the Ware Savings Bank Mr. Fred D. Gilmore was chosen assistant treasurer of that institution.

The Ware Savings Bank declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent., payable Jan. 1st, and not the National Bank, as reported in our last issue.

The Methodist church received three persons to its membership last Sabbath, all by letter, while the East Congregational received two by profession.

Danforth Keyes of Warren has sold his residence to George Burbank for \$6000, and contemplates the erection of another for his own use at an early date.

This week is being observed by the Congregational and Methodist churches of this village as a week of prayer. Union services on Thursday and Friday evenings.

The warm weather of Friday, Saturday and Sunday completely vanished the snow, and on Monday the roads were about as muddy as is usually the case in March.

The total receipts of the Ware Post Office for the last year were \$3,169.14. The number of stamps canceled during the past six months at this office was 46,059, amounting to \$1,269.19.

It may be interesting to at least some of our readers to know that Dr. Wm. O. Ballantine, formerly a medical student in this town, is successfully engaged in his profession at Columbus, Ohio.

The vestry of the Cong. church at Warren, having been greatly injured and its interior entirely changed, will be dedicated on Monday evening with appropriate exercises, among them being an address by Rev. Dr. Perkins of Ware.

Dennis Towne, Esq., the hero of Port Hudson, made a visit to Washington last week, and reports a pleasant interview with President Grant, to whom he presented a framed picture of himself, taken when dressed in military costume. Dennis was quite unfortunate while on his return trip, having been relieved of a \$20 bill by a New York hackman, but discovered the fact too late to secure the offender or to even think of having the cash restored.

We clip the following from the Boston Journal as being an item of local interest: "Henry C. Davis, Republican, of Ware, is a lawyer, was born in Pelham, October 22d, 1843, and received his education at Williston Seminary, Easthampton, and at the Harvard Law School. He has held several town offices, but no State office. While his action in regard to the present prohibitory law will be determined by future consideration, he intends to vote for the abolition of the State Constabulary."

The following officers of Washington Council of Masons were installed Thursday afternoon by the grand officers of the Grand Council of Massachusetts: H. M. Conley, T. I. M.; Wm. O. Gould, I. M. W.; A. Sandford, M. of Ex.; F. A. Spear, Recorder; J. H. Chaffee, M. C.; E. R. Foster, C. G.; J. E. Ripley, C. C.; H. O. Cary, S.; J. W. Robinson, Chaplain; Lyman Taylor, Tyler. In the evening, A. F. Chapman, Grand H. P. of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts, paid a visit to Klug Solomon's chapter of this town.

STATISTICS.
The number of births in town during 1873 was 112, of which 63 were males and 49 females. The parents of 31 were born in the United States, of 43 in Canada, and of 24 in Ireland; the remainder are of various nationalities. Whole number of marriages 42—in 5 of which both parties were born in Ireland, in 8 both parties were born in Canada, and in 24 both were born in the United States. The youngest couple were aged 19 and 17 respectively—aggregate 36 years; the oldest couple were 67 and 49—aggregate 108 years. Whole number of deaths 151. The greatest number of deaths occurring in any one month was 20 in July; the smallest number 3 in June. The oldest person was 95. Of the whole number of deaths 18 had passed the limits of three score and ten, and 67 were under 5 years, while 42 were under 1 year; 23 between one year and 10; 9 between 10 and 20; 19 between 20 and 30; 15 between 30 and 40; 3 between 40 and 50; 9 between 50 and 60; 14 between 60 and 70. Total 151 registered in Ware. 25 died of consumption and 10 of typhoid fever.

The Boston, Barre and Gardner railroad are to petition the legislature for an extension of time in which to connect their line with the Monadnock road in Winchendon, and also to construct the branch to Barre.

The Supreme Court of New York is taking measures for the expulsion from the bar of Tweed, Ingersoll and Genet, all of whom have been found guilty of high crimes.

The St. Louis Globe has established a Sunday "Growlers' Column," for the benefit of local fault-finders.

HEAVY FIRE IN SPRINGFIELD.—Three alarms of fire were given Monday night, and three detachments of the fire department of the city were called out to quell the flames, which were raging at the corner of Main and Taylor streets, in a building owned by Wight and Wilkinson. The building was of brick and iron, four stories high, with stone caps and sills. It was built in 1864. The fire caught from some unexplained cause in Wilkinson's, the southern portion of the block. A large crowd gathered, but was roped out and no one hurt, though when about 11.30 P. M., the front east wall fell into the streets the north side fell also into ruins and the south into an alley, but did not destroy an old saloon almost under it. The stores were occupied in Wight's part of the block, which had two, by the Union Paper Manufacturing Company as a paper warehouse for their mills at Holyoke; by Cutler, McIntosh & Co.'s wholesale boot and shoe warehouses, who occupied a large portion of the building; J. C. Lutz & Co., in the next store, as an old lithograph and engraving establishment. Wilkinson's portion was occupied by Wellman & Fuller's trunk and harness manufactory, one room of which had a barber shop, while the owner had an office there also. Notwithstanding the efforts of the fire department the whole block was destroyed. The insurance, it is expected, will cover about two-thirds of the loss.

A RUM TRAGEDY.—Last week Matthew Gildwell, residing in Madison county, Tenn., quarrelled with his wife, and struck her over the head with a gun, inflicting a probably fatal wound. He also knocked down his daughter, aged nine years, with the same weapon, and threatened to cut their throats. The daughter escaped to the woods, and there meeting a Mr. Gibson, who was out shooting, told her story. Gibson started back with the little girl, and was met by Gildwell, who threatened to kill him. Gibson retreated, followed by Gildwell, until the former was forced to shoot. Gildwell was seriously wounded. He and the daughter will probably recover, but it is thought that the wife will die.

THE FRESHET.—The heavy rains of Tuesday and Wednesday and the sudden departure of the snow, caused a heavy freshet on Thursday, and considerable damage was done. At Springfield many houses were flooded out, at Holyoke a large boom was swept away, and at Westfield the water was very high, and at Chester and Russell the river overflowed its banks and did considerable damage to property. In the Housatonic and Nagsatuck valleys the water is high and great excitement prevails. No loss of life is reported, but railroad trains have been delayed in many cases by washouts and deep water over the tracks.

THE LATEST DEFALCATION.—R. H. Rowland, treasurer of Richland county, O., disappeared last Wednesday, and an examination of his accounts show \$111,412 missing, of which sum \$60,000 is stated to have been loaned to certain persons in Mansfield, and \$40,000 is gone beyond recovery, the borrowers being bankrupt. It is supposed that Rowland carried with him \$50,000 in cash. His bondsmen are considered good and the county will probably lose nothing.

A KENTUCKY TRAGEDY.—Thomas Cook, aged 28, stabbed his wife, age 18, five times Saturday, inflicting mortal wounds. His mother-in-law, attempted to interfere, when Cook stabbed her in the back, and then cut his own throat. He alleges that his wife had been unfaithful to him. Neither Cook nor his wife can recover. It seems certain that his wife was a very bad character.

MURDER BY A BOY.—In Stramberg N. Y., last Sunday, William Borne, aged 15 years, while intoxicated, killed his stepfather, Caleb Omans, and then chopped him with an axe. His head was nearly severed from his body. The boy was arrested. A verdict of willful and malicious murder was rendered by the coroner's jury.

KILLED BY A BROTHER.—Clinton Kouf, aged 17 years, of West Jefferson, O., became enraged because his sister entreated him to cease playing a violin on Sunday, and struck her on the head with a poker, killing her almost instantly. The young man is much distressed and fears are entertained that he will commit suicide.

George Gardner and Catharine Mahoney walked from Manchester to Lowell, a distance of thirty miles in twelve hours. And such are the vagaries of fame! only lodgings in a police station as common tramps rewarded their efforts.

Roswell A. Sylvester of Waterford, Me., committed suicide by taking laudanum while driving from Worcester to Quinsigamond Village, Monday evening. He was found in the carriage in an insensible condition and died soon after.

On her dying bed, Mrs. Scott, of Delaware, wrote, among other things: "It is also my earnest wish that my darling husband shall marry ere long a nice pretty girl, who is a good housekeeper."

A Sing Sing convict named Eli Brown has inherited \$300,000. This, with accrued interest, will give him a nice start in life when his five years of seclusion are ended.

The Senate have confirmed the nomination of Caleb Cushing as United States minister to Spain.

The small-pox has broken out and is spreading rapidly in Cascade, Iowa, a small town near Dubuque.

The Rev. J. M. Drake and wife of Lima, Ohio, have just died from poisoning. They were preparing to paper a room in their house, and in tearing down the old paper, which was of deep green color, a dust was created which was inhaled by them, and they were poisoned by it. They died within a short time of each other, and were buried on the same day.

According to the customs of the Indians of Washington Territory if a doctor, or a medicine man fails to cure a patient he must pay for the latter's life with blankets or blood. Henry Jackson, a half-breed doctor at Olympia, had no blankets, and was publicly shot because his patient died. If that rule prevailed here some physicians would need to have a woolen goods store attached to their office.

Coroner Bissell of Genesee, N. Y., has decided that the body of Miss Bonny of Canawaugus is very dead and decomposed. The cause of death is still a mystery, it being too late for dissection. People are asking themselves whether the woman poisoned herself, or worked herself up to such a state of excitement that death resulted therefrom. This is the lady who went into a trance a few weeks ago.

The Boston underwriters are driving capital out of New England by their high rates of insurance. Rents are also becoming exorbitant, and one large dry goods firm on Franklin street is discussing a removal to New York, where they can get as convenient premises as they have now for \$6,000 instead of \$10,000, and insure at 80 cents instead of \$1.60.

Mrs. Jim Fisk, Jr., has sued the Farmers' Merchants' and Manufacturers' Joint Stock Fire Insurance Company of Miami Valley, of Hamilton, O., to recover the sum of \$4250 upon a policy of insurance upon a lot of opera-house fixtures destroyed by fire.

There is a ghost in Buffalo, N. Y., which nightly sits upon the bedside, and to the consternation of the widow, pulls off its boots as the departed husband was wont to do in life, and the consequent conundrum is, "Do ghosts have corns, or are they deprived of bootjacks?"

The intelligence of another marine disaster, attended by a lamentable loss of life, has reached London. The steamship Elbe, from London for Hamburg, has been lost at sea and thirty-two people perished.

It is gratifying to know that Boss Tweed spends the time not required by his duties as nurse, in reading his Bible. If he had commenced earlier in life he might not have been where he is now.

The Connecticut Valley Fine Writing Paper Maker's Association has voted to make only half the usual production for six months from Jan. 14.

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"Their name is Legion," may be applied to those who die annually of Consumption, although science has of late years sensibly diminished their number. It is gratifying to know that the general use of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry is largely instrumental in attaining this end.

T. DEWITT TALMAGE.—The Hearth and Home says of him: "When Mr. Talmage speaks thousands listen; when he writes hundreds of thousands read. He is the most thoroughly popular preacher of the day." Mr. Talmage has now become editor of The Christian at Work, in which paper his sermons and articles appear regularly. Sample copies free. Office 102 Chambers Street, New York.

THE "EDINBORO REVIEW."—The Edinburgh Review (Scotland) says: "Landseer is the greatest painter of animals that ever existed; while in addition to the exquisite handling of his pictures, and thorough knowledge of the anatomy of the animal he paints, he throws into compositions of this kind a degree of sentiment and poetry of which little is found even in the best works of Rubens. The proprietors of The Christian at Work, T. DeWitt Talmage, editor, have had produced a careful copy of Landseer's 'Twins,' one of his finest paintings of sheep and Scotch shepherd dogs. The chromo is a very large one, and is worthy of a place in any parlor in the land. Full particulars can be had by addressing the publishers, 102 Chambers street, N. Y. Agents are wanted everywhere.

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We call the attention of our readers to the Springfield Art Union, which we have already alluded to, as the drawing for the whole collection of Paintings, Engravings, and other choice works of art, will probably take place on or about the 23d of this month. The tickets have sold quite nicely, and those who intend to purchase had better do so at once, as there is no time for delay.

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BORN.

At Palmer, 7th, a daughter to CHARLES R. SHEPARD; 7th, a daughter (Ellie Warren) to R. A. MOFFATT.

At Waltham, 23d ult, a daughter to J. R. SPAULDING.

At South Hadley Falls, 1st, a daughter to S. C. BOND of Monson.

MARRIED.

At Ware, 1st, by Rev. W. M. Ayers, JONATHAN W. BEES and Mrs. LUCY C. SPARR; 6th, by Rev. John W. Hudson, W. M. BASSETT of New York and Mary E. daughter of Isaac T. Warner.

At West Ware, 1st, by Rev. William M. Gay, E. JENKINS BROWN of Worcester and HATTIE S., daughter of Charles P. Crossman.

At Andover, 21st ult, by Rev. G. D. Ashley, ALFRED H. ROBBINS and VERA E. ASHLEY, all of Lynde.

At Andover, Vt., WILLIAM P. LEVANGE of Montreal and MATTIE H. RUSSELL, formerly of Belchertown.

DIED.

At Monson, 27th ult, OTIS BRADFORD, 77; 31st ult, JAMES RICHMOND, 83.

At Hardwick, 29th ult, JOHN F. SPOONER, 47.

At Stafford, Ct., 31st ult, ELI B. HYDE, 41.

At Monson, 6th, LUCY M. PACKARD, 34, for 8 years telegraph operator at M.; 7th, MARY H. FOSTER, 27.

At Wales, 6th, CHARLES KING, 80.

At Rockville, Conn., 7th, JOSEPH B. FOSTER, 49, formerly of Monson, the same was brought to Monson and interred on Friday.

At Springfield, 2d, JAMES PARKER, 68, superintendent of the New York and Boston Express line.

At Springfield, 3d, FREDERICK K. LATHROP, 50.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of ALONZO B. CHAPMAN, late of Toledo, Ohio, deceased; and has taken upon himself that trust, by giving bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased, are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to ALONZO V. BLANCHARD, Admr. Palmer, Jan. 10, 1874.

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THE 22D OF THIS MONTH,

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GEORGE W. RANDALL, Deputy Sheriff.

THE WARE NATIONAL BANK.—The tenth annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at their Banking House in Ware, on Tuesday, the 13th day of January, 1874, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the choice of directors, and for any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

W. S. HYDE, Cashier. Ware, Dec. 6th, 1873. 5w41

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scribed premises: To Richard H. Earle of Palmer,
in the county of Hampden, and Commonwealth of
Massachusetts, mortgagee, and all other persons
interested therein: By virtue of a power of sale
contained in a certain mortgage deed given by
said Richard H. Earle to said E. G. Sumner, dated
May 6th, 1873, and recorded with the Hampden
Registry of Deeds, Book 203, Page 265, and for a
breach of the condition of said mortgage deed,
will be sold at public auction, upon the premises,
on Monday, the second day of February, A. D.
1874, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.
All and singular the premises conveyed by said
mortgage deed, namely: A certain tract of land
with the buildings thereon standing, situated in said
Palmer, and bounded and described as follows,
to wit: Beginning on the west side of the county
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to Northampton, at a stone set in the ground on
the line of Josiah Gates' land, thence W. 21° S. 27°
rods and 17 links to a stake on the corner of said
Gates' land, thence W. 73° S. 43 rods to a stake
and stones at said Gates' south-west corner, being
on line of Harding Hall, thence S. 2° E. 39 rods
to a stake and stones, on line of land belonging
to the town of Palmer, and a corner of said
Hunt's land, thence S. 83° E. 80 rods to a pine
tree, at a corner of said town farm, thence north-
easterly 34 rods to a small apple tree, with a
stone set in the ground, on the westerly side of
said county road, thence north-westerly on said
county road 32 rods to the first mentioned bound,
containing twenty acres more or less, being the
same premises conveyed to said Earle by Elisha
Warner, by deed dated April 5th, 1873, and record-
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Page 499.
The above premises will be sold subject to a
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Little by Little.

When the new years come and the old years go, Little by little, all things grow! All things grow—and all decay— Little by little passing away.

Little by little, on fertile plain, When the harvest of golden grain, Waving and flashing in the sun, When the summer at last is done, Little by little they pass away.

As the new years come and the old years go, Low on the ground an acorn lies, Little by little it mounts to the skies, Shadow and shelter for wandering herds, Home for a hundred singing birds, Little by little the great trees grow, Long ago when the world was new, Such an acorn under the old oak tree, Little by little are built—while so— The new years come and the old years go.

Little by little tasks are done; So are the crowns of faithful won, So is heaven in our hearts begun, With work and with weeping, with laughter and pain.

Little by little the longest day, And the longest life are passing away, Passing without return—while so— The new years come and the old years go.

LEONE'S ROMANCE.

"Mark my words, Leone, your beau ideal you'll never find; your estimate of a man is too high."

"No, Arthur, it is but a great estimate, and you have no right to judge me harshly, because I will not throw my life away upon some society man of to-day. I am young yet, but twenty you know; and there is time enough yet."

"Yes, time enough, Leone; but I agree with Arthur that you have too high a standard of manhood, a romantic school-girl admiration of qualities that few, if any, can possess."

"Complimentary, very, to your husband, sis; but I wish for my husband strength, either of soul or body, mind far above the average, and determination and purpose sufficient to raise him from the level of the human herd; and mark me, if I never find such a one, I will ever remain Leone Lightfoot, and old fond of cats, and gossip; but I see Charles has brought my horse around, so *adieu*!"

The speaker was a woman of twenty, queenly in form, and whose face, though possessing character beyond her years stamped thereon, was radiant with loveliness.

Robed in a dark blue riding habit, which clung gracefully around her superb form, and the face half shaded by the drooping plumes falling from her jaunty cap, Leone Lightfoot, as she stepped down from a surpassingly lovely woman, one who had visitors by the score, for she was rich, as well as accomplished and beautiful.

Three years before, she had been left, by the death of her parents, under the guardianship of her only brother, some ten years her senior, and at his elegant country seat in New York State she had lived, the idol of society, and the pet of Arthur Lightfoot, and his pretty but weak little wife.

Between the three, Arthur Lightfoot, Leone, and Mrs. Lightfoot, was the conversation held that opens this story, and the cause thereof was the refusal by Leone of the heart, hand and fortune of a worthy bachelor neighbor.

"She is incorrigible; the old Judge would have made a good husband," said Arthur Lightfoot to his wife, after they had seen Leone mount and dash away at full speed down the grand avenue.

"Yes, sis, never marry, I fear," sighed Mrs. Lightfoot, as the words echoed the sentiments of her husband.

In the meantime, Leone rode on at a pace that chimed in with her humor, and an elegant horsewoman, she held her steed well in rein, and enjoyed the springing, fleet motion, as mile after mile was cast behind.

But her horse suddenly leaped violently and gave a tremendous leap, almost upsetting her fair rider, who, recovering herself, quickly sprang soothingly to the frightened animal, and endeavored to soothe it.

The color fled from her face, her eyes fell upon the form of a man lying by the roadside, and apparently lifeless; but nervous herself by a hard-drawn rein, the brave girl sprang to the ground, and approached the spot, glancing intently down into the pale, upturned face.

The features were moulded with remarkable regularity, the partly opened mouth displayed even white teeth, and dark brown hair, and mustache, presented a marked contrast to the white face, from which every shadow of color had faded. Dressed in a light summer suit, Leone even then discerned it was well and stylishly made, while the gauntlet gloves and riding whip proved that the stranger had been on horseback.

"He has been thrown, doubtless, but God grant he is not dead," exclaimed the maiden, as she knelt beside the prostrate form, and drew aside the coat to place her hand upon his heart.

With a cry of terror, she sprang to her feet, her hand stained with blood, for from his side a small stream welled up slowly.

"He is dead, and has been so some time," said a voice from the bushes, and Leone, who had been standing by the roadside, turned and saw a man, who, with a look of intense interest, was watching her.

"No," Leone said, "he is not dead; he is only unconscious."

It was almost a whisper, and the heavy lids raised from the eyes—eyes filled with anguish, but yet strangely dark and fascinating.

"Thank God, there is yet hope," he cried, "I implore you, and I will aid you all in my power," exclaimed Leone, and drawing her hand around her head, she ran rapidly a few paces down the road to where it was crossed by a small stream, and sat down, her hands clasped in prayer.

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"You must keep perfectly quiet," and I will soon return," she said softly, hardly knowing whether she was heard or not, and then to an instant, she was in her saddle, dashing at her utmost speed towards the nearest farm-house.

Dashing like the wind up to the door, and starting quietly Farmer Jessop and his family nearly out of their wits, Leone cried: "Mr. Jessop, let your son ride at once to Dr. Wells, and tell him a gentleman lies dangerously wounded on the road near Hillside Spring; tell him to come there at once, and you, Mr. Jessop, please come out with your carriage, and bring all that you think necessary."

Every one in the country knew and loved Leone Lightfoot, and rapidly her orders were obeyed, which observing, she wheeled her roaming horse, and again sped away upon her return to the wounded stranger.

There he lay just as she had left him, but groaning slightly, and each instant dampening the blood-stained handkerchief, the girl awaited the coming of the surgeon.

Would they ever come? she thought, but at length, when it seemed hours instead of minutes, the sound of wheels broke on her ear, and the next instant the surgeon drove up at a rapid pace.

"You are a noble woman, Miss Lightfoot, and if this man lives, he owes his life to you," said the good old physician, as he approached and knelt beside the prostrate form.

"But will he live, Doctor?"

For some minutes no reply was given by the man of science, who carefully probed and examined the wound, but then he said slowly:

"It is a serious injury—had here I have the ball; yes, I hope he will live," and Dr. Wells took from the wound a small bullet, which he continued:

"Now he needs the most careful nursing."

"He shall have it. Thank God, here comes Mr. Jessop," and immediately after the carriage drove up, and telling the doctor to come on with the wounded stranger to her brother's house, Leone again mounted her horse and rode on to have all in readiness for his arrival.

It was weeks before the stranger was sufficiently recovered to tell his story regarding the wound that had so nearly proven fatal to him, and then by careful nursing, he informed Leone, who had been untiring in her devoted care of him, that his name was Clarence Ainslie—a year before, had come to America, and purchasing a few acres of land in the West, made it his home.

He also stated that business had called him to New York, and that while enjoying a horse-back ride, he had been suddenly fired upon, was thrown to the ground, and had an indelible remembrance that some one was robbing him, for his watch, pocket-book, and all valuables he had about him, were gone.

That Clarence Ainslie was no ordinary man Leone Lightfoot knew when she first saw him lying by the roadside, but that he would ever possess the power to control his life she had not believed.

"But so it was, for each day had proved to her that she had met her beau ideal; and yet was he her brother? Might he not already have loved? Might he not already be married?"

The thought chilled her very heart; and yet, when she saw the dark, fascinating eyes turned upon her with admiration, and read or hoped she did—therein a deeper, holier feeling, Leone felt happy, and longed to be a very slave, and become a mere automaton to the caprice of Clarence Ainslie.

Now, Arthur Lightfoot, and his pretty wife looked upon him as a poor, English emigrant, a petty Western farmer, and did not like the idea that he should wholly control the heart of Leone, for they were not blind to her devotion to the wounded man.

Still they could not but admire the courteous manner of their stranger guest, when, after six weeks, he was sufficiently recovered to join them in the parlor and at dinner.

That he had been reared a gentleman was evident, and that he had traveled and seen something of the world was also evident; and that Mr. and Mrs. Lightfoot had never seen a handsomer man, they were compelled to admit; but that Leone, the belle, the heiress, and most lovely woman of the day, should love an unknown and poor Englishman—bahl the thought, even, was ridiculous.

When the trunk of Clarence Ainslie arrived, for he had sent for it as soon as he was able to speak, Mrs. Lightfoot paced around it for half an hour, in the vain endeavor to find something plebeian about it; but the trunk she opened, and she found, as she expected, nothing but a pair of shoes, a hat, and a box of soap.

"What a disappointed look the inquisitive little woman ordered it sent to the sick man's room, and sought her chamber."

"Arthur, Leone really loves that wounded man, and what will become of it?"

"It is Leone's romance, little wife; she will recover from it; a few tears at parting, hard riding for her poor horse; a few sentimental songs, and all will be over."

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At length the hour came for Clarence Ainslie to depart, for no longer could he impose upon the kindness of his host and hostess, and determined to leave that evening, he asked to see Leone alone.

With pale face, but quiet manner, the young girl entered the room, and stepping forward, Clarence Ainslie said, feelingly: "Miss Lightfoot, no longer can I impose upon your kindness; and to-night I leave you. Shall I be forever?"

No answer came, and the Englishman continued:

"To you I owe my life, and to you I would dedicate the years that yet remain. I am, unknown to you, a stranger in a strange land—and you have but my word for it that I offer you a love that was never offered to woman before; a hand and heart that has never been intentionally against a fellow being. Will you accept what I have to offer?"

"You will trust me, take me as I am, and become my wife?"

"I will."

No other words were spoken, but two hearts were perfectly happy.

Of course, Arthur Lightfoot, and his wife objected and decidedly refused; but Leone was determined. It was no romance with her, and when she fully told them she would marry Clarence, without their consent, they made a virtue of necessity and gave it, consoling themselves with the thought that, after all, his being a stranger and a poor man was really the only fault they could find with him.

At the request of the parties most interested it was a quiet wedding, just six months after the meeting of the lovers, and only Dr. Wells and Farmer Jessop's family were invited, to this day the good old lady has not ceased to gossip about the magnificent trousseau the bride had, and the quiet happiness that shone in the eyes of the young couple.

It had been decided that the bridal tour should be to Europe, as Clarence Ainslie

said that business would call him there soon, and Mr. and Mrs. Lightfoot had been persuaded to accompany them; so the day after the wedding the New York steamer bore a happy quartet from the land of free America.

Arriving safely in England, a few days were passed quietly at the hotel, and then, by invitation from Clarence Ainslie, the party started out to visit the spot where he had passed his boyhood days.

Through meadow land and lovely country the carriage drove, until suddenly, Clarence, who was driving, wheeled into a grand gate-way leading to the superb country seat of some man of wealth.

A few moments more, and the carriage drew up before the marble steps of an elegant mansion—one of those old rambling structures often found in England—and springing lightly to the ground, the Englishman said, while a merry light twinkled in his eyes:

"Leone, I welcome you to your home; Mr. and Mrs. Lightfoot, Lord Clarence Ainslie begs that you will accept the hospitality of Ainslie Castle."

Tears filled the beautiful eyes of Leone, Arthur Lightfoot's cheek colored, but he was silent, while after a second's hesitation, his wife exclaimed:

"Clarence Ainslie, you are a cheat. Why, I thought you were a Western farmer!"

"That was all the land I owned in America. I purchased it, and built a shooting box thereon, because I was fond of my Western sports, and in America I was simply Mr. Ainslie; here I am Lord Ainslie, of Ainslie Castle. Am I forgiven?"

Reader, we all have too much human nature now-a-days, to for a moment suppose the deception practised was not pardoned by one and all; in fact, Mrs. Lightfoot says she likes to be deceived, and in this case Arthur echoes the opinion of his wife.

TRACING A GENEALOGY.—It is of the elder Dumas, whose death has just occurred, that the following story is told: A stranger, having heard with surprise that Dumas was a quadrum, called upon him to verify the fact.

"I am told," began the visitor, "that you are a quadrum, Monsieur Dumas."

"Yes," answered Dumas.

"And your father?"

"Was a mulatto, the distinguished Gen. Dumas, of the army of Italy—and a mulatto," roared the author, in tones that left no doubt of the quality of his lungs.

"And his mother?" continued the intrusive interrogatively.

"Was a negro," shouted Dumas, rising to his feet.

"And who, may I ask, was her mother?" continued the enterprising and indefatigable bore.

"An ape, sir, an ape!" thundered the indignant author. "My family begins exactly where yours ends." Water show that monkey the door."

NOT REMARKABLE.—A Massachusetts farmer says: "My cattle will follow me until I leave the lot and on the way up to the barnyard in the evening stop and call for a lock of hair." Smithson says there is nothing at all remarkable in that. He went into a barnyard in the country one day last week where he had not the slightest acquaintance with the cattle, and an old bull not only followed him till he left the yard, but took the gate of the hinges and raced with him to the house in the most familiar manner possible. Smithson says he has no doubt that the old fellow would have called for something if he had waited a little while, but he didn't want to keep the folks waiting dinner, so he hung one tail of his coat and a piece of his pants on the bull's horns and went into the house.

FORGOTTEN.—An absent minded man entered a Troy shoe store the other day, and wanted his boy measured for a pair of shoes. "But where is the boy?" asked the dealer. "Thunder," said the man, "I've left the boy at home; I'll go and get him," and off he started for his house, six blocks away.

TIPPIUS aroused his wife from a sound sleep the other night, saying he had seen a ghost in the shape of an ass. "O, let me sleep," was the reply of the irate dame, and don't be frightened at your own shadow."

A newspaper paragraph says that a Chicago girl complains that she has been robbed of 224 gold rings. Whereupon, a mean paragraphist observes that, probably, at least two hundred of them were engagement rings.

The announcement in a downtown dining-room that gentlemen are at liberty to call for all the butter they wish is a severe satire upon the wafers

The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 1874.

In the organization of the new executive council, our Councilor, Hon. E. H. Brewster, is on the committees of finance, harbors, bridges, flats and warrants.

The Legislature is getting early to work. The various committees have been organized; petitions are finding their way to both branches, and if the members are diligent they ought to get through in good season.

MR. WILLIS PHELPS, the railroad builder, has sent in to the new city government of Springfield a proposal to build the Longmeadow railroad for \$225,000. The Republican says he once offered to do the same piece of work for \$100,000. That journal forgets that Phelps is on the rise since the Athol and Enfield job panned out so easily.

THAT was a pretty idea of "Young Americus," the infant musical prodigy at Boston, a boy less than seven years of age, who, when lying quietly in his bed was heard by his father to say: "Great God, make room for a little child." His father thought he was talking in his sleep and shortly went to him, but he was dead. He played at the Boston Theatre and led the orchestra with his violin.

THAT portion of the Governor's message which relates to the liquor question is savagely commented upon by some of the newspapers. It cannot be denied that the Governor's arguments are strong in the abstract, but are not applicable in a general sense. He has taken a bold, strong stand, and must satisfy the prohibitionists if they can be satisfied with anything; but the liquor element is provoked thereby, and will work the harder to repeal the law.

In the legislature the list of committees was reported on Saturday. In the Senate, Fuller of Hampden has been placed on the committee on Probate and Chancery, Bills in the third reading and Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroads, Lathrop of this district is on the committee on Federal Relations, Insurance, and Bills in the third reading. In the House, Clarke of Wilbraham is on Bills in the third reading, Lyon of Wales on Public Buildings, Davis of Ware on Probate and Chancery.

ANOTHER mail robber has been detected and brought to justice in Boston. His name is Schofield, and he was a distributing clerk in the Boston Post-Office. Several business firms in the city had missed valuable letters and a special mail agent was set to work to find the thief, and on Wednesday evening, he detected Schofield while assorting letters in the act of conveying several to his pockets. The detective immediately placed Schofield under arrest, but as the robbers did not bring any charges against him he was set at liberty, but of course loses his place in the office.

FINDING that Attorney General Williams was not the right man to suit Congress and the people in the high position of Chief Justice of the United States, President Grant withdrew his name on Thursday week and substituted that of Hon. Caleb Cushing. But there was much opposition to this nomination among the Senators, and many arguments were offered by them to show his unfitness for the place. Cushing was an anti-war Democrat, and opposed to the existing reconstruction laws. But by some unlucky accident a letter from Cushing to Jeff Davis, president of the late Confederacy, was found among the rebel archives at Washington, and this was too much for the President, who immediately withdrew the nomination. And now there is considerable curiosity to know who will be the next candidate, and whether he will be able to stand a searching investigation into his past character and public life, or fall a martyr like Williams and Cushing.

A MURDERER TWICE HUNG.—Machella, a Hudson County, N. J., murderer, was hanged on Saturday morning. After hanging five minutes the rope broke and he fell. It was necessary to hang him over again. Machella was a desperate character, and he maintained his opposition to spiritual consolation almost to the last. Several days ago a clergyman called to see him, and in a fit of rage the condemned man threw a bowl of soup into the clerical gentleman's face. Very little sympathy for Machella has been evinced in the community, and his violent conduct drove away people who would otherwise have befriended him.

Prohibition in Danielsonville, Conn., caused the establishment of a club room, in which a young man who reformed, about a year ago, lapsed from virtue by getting steadily drunk, the other night, and the proprietor of the Attawagan Hotel, in which the club room was located, and the bar-keeper, have been arrested and bound over for trial.

That Spanish man-of-war, the Arapiles, about which so much anxiety was felt during our late trouble with Spain, has had extremely bad luck ever since, and on Wednesday she broke loose from her moorings and is now high and dry on the rocks. The Spanish sailors aboard her must have lots of patience.

We fear the grangers will begin to decline now, for Andy Johnson declares himself in full accord with their movement.

DEATH OF MAJOR MORGAN.

This community and a large circle of his personal friends and acquaintances in many parts of the country are deeply saddened at the death of Major FRANKLIN MORGAN. On Thursday evening of last week he returned from a visit to his friends at Syracuse, N. Y., and the same night was seized with pneumonia, which made rapid headway against all the skill which physicians could interpose, till 3 o'clock last Thursday morning, when he passed away without a struggle. In his brief sickness he was tenderly cared for and received numerous visits from friends far and near. He was conscious to the last, recognizing his acquaintances, whom he gladly welcomed, and submitting calmly to the approach of death.

Major Morgan was born in Brimfield, Jan. 5th, 1798, and was the only son of Enoch Morgan, an enterprising farmer of that period. He had two sisters, Betsey and Mary, both of whom are now dead, and he has no blood relatives living nearer than cousins. His father sold his farm in Brimfield and went to Cincinnati, then a wilderness, and invested in a large tract of land. On returning for his family he caught a severe cold in fording streams, and died of quick consumption, Jan. 7th, 1804, at the Bates' Hotel, kept by his wife's father, Asa Bates, on the spot where Dr. Higgins' house now stands at the Sedgwick corner. Young Frank was then six years old. The property of his father was entirely lost, and he struck out for himself. Being a bright, active lad, he was taken into the old Sedgwick hotel, where he did chores and went to school. Subsequently, Daniel Shearer, a lawyer living at the center of the town, became interested in the boy and took him into his family, where he remained for several years, working on his farm and attending school. His mother about this time was married to Capt. Enoch Sherman of Brimfield, and returned to that town, where she died Nov. 12, 1837, at the age of 84. Palmer Centre was then a stage point of considerable consequence, and young Morgan, having made the acquaintance of many of the drivers and stage men, mounted the box when less than 18 years of age, and drove on the line between Springfield and Palmer. After a time he bought into the line running between Springfield and Worcester, and became one of a stage company, of which Frank Howe of Brookfield and William Burt of Worcester were members, and the late Conductor Parker was agent at Worcester. As this line connected with other routes, he frequently went to Hartford and other places to attend meetings of stage proprietors, and thus in early life became acquainted with the prominent business men of that time, and with whom he was a great favorite.

In 1815 John Frink moved to Palmer and kept the hotel now standing at the Center. Mr. Morgan went there to board, and Dec. 22d, 1817, married Mr. Frink's youngest daughter, Maria, who survives him. He afterwards bought the hotel and kept it several years, at the same time running his stages and carrying on a farm. He became much interested in the building of the Boston & Albany railroad, and furnished considerable lumber for the road. Foreseeing the death of the stage business he sold out, and in 1842 moved to this village, buying the Earl farm, just over the river, which he made the premium farm of Hampden county. For a time he boarded at what is now called the Antique House, and in 1845 completed the residence in which he has since lived. When he came here Mr. May of New York offered him a liberal salary and other flattering inducements to become superintendent of the Harlem railroad, but he declined the offer for the reason that he did not like life in a city. About ten years ago he sold his Monson farm, and since that time he has taken life easier, enjoying the society of his numerous friends, and entertaining them with princely hospitality. He represented the town with Asa Shumway in 1840, but he did not like office, and has since repeatedly declined being a candidate for political honors. The title of "Major" was not a military honor, but was conferred by his associates for his martial appearance and genial qualities.

It is not too much to say that Major Morgan was one of nature's noblemen—a true specimen of the old-style country gentleman, rarely to be found at the present day. Of a commanding and stately appearance, animated yet cheerful nature, a social disposition, and possessing a personal magnetism which drew men towards him, he made warm friends wherever he was known, and no other man in the Commonwealth could number such hosts of friends among the high and the low, the rich and the poor. He treated them all with the same kind consideration and whole-souled generosity. His house was the resort of Governors, Congressmen, and distinguished men from all parts of the country, who were entertained with inimitable hospitality. His attachments were warm and true. For nearly sixty years he was the intimate friend of Chester W. Chapin of Springfield, and for several years past has been his guest at Saratoga, where with Vanderbilt, Drew and other distinguished persons, they spent several weeks in the watering season. The late George Ashmun was also a warm friend of Major Morgan, and in the days of Daniel Webster it was their custom every year to spend several days with him at Marshfield or Washington.

Major Morgan was always the friend of the poor and unfortunate, and no man or woman in distress ever applied to him in vain. Many received aid from him not knowing the source from whence it came, and in the goodness of his heart, which was tender as a child's, he forgave the erring and freely spent his time and money to help them out of difficulties. When Dan Rice, the famous circus man, first came to Palmer, a dozen years ago, his establishment was attached for debt, just as the doors were ready to open. The performance could not be given, and in his extremity, Dan applied to the Major for help. It was promptly furnished, without asking security, and the show went on. Rice was unsuccessful, and the debt, amounting to several hundred dollars, was paid by the Major; but when Dan became prosperous he paid Morgan in full, and never came to this vicinity to exhibit without telling the story in the ring and sounding the praise of Major Morgan. And this is only one of numerous instances of a like character scattered all through his life. He was greatly attached to his own town and to his pleasant home, where, with the partner

of his life, who has seconded his wishes and presided in his household with a grace and character suited to its hospitalities, he spent more happy days than is usually allotted to a single life. This whole community will long feel the loss of a friend and benefactor whose place cannot be filled.

The funeral of Major Morgan will take place next Monday afternoon. Prayer at the house at 2 o'clock; services at the Cong. church at 2 1/2. Rev. Thomas Wilson of Stoughton, first pastor of the Cong. church here, and a warm friend of Major Morgan, will officiate. All places of business will be closed during the services.

Heavy Fires.

Last Tuesday will long be remembered in many places in this country as a day of fires, and nearly all of them were extremely disastrous.

AT NATICK—LOSS \$500,000

The fire was first discovered in a wooden structure on the corner of Main and Summer streets, and the alarm was at once given. It was some time before the firemen got out, and fully half an hour after the alarm before sufficient steam was got up on the only steamer in town so that water could be played. It was then too late to control the flames, as they had spread to several of the adjoining buildings. Among the buildings destroyed were the Congregational church, the building occupied by the Natick National and Savings Bank, the shoe manufacturers of Curtis Child and E. B. Saunders' Union Block, which was totally destroyed contained the Post Office, many stores, the office of the Natick Bulletin, and the halls of the Grand Army and Y. M. C. A. The mails were got out safely, and the books and papers of the banks which were in the vaults were found, after the fire, to be all right. Many fine private residences, and business blocks, besides those named were destroyed. The Methodist society are heavy losers, but saved part of their property. The Chief Engineer was struck by a falling chimney and knocked down. It was found on examination that one foot was crushed so as to necessitate the amputation of the three smaller toes, and he was severely bruised, but not dangerously. Several other firemen were bruised by falling bricks and slates. Help was sent for, and engines came from Saxtonville, Ashland, Newton, Holliston and Boston, but the two last arrived after the fire was under control, and were not set to work. Almost twenty families were rendered homeless by the fire. Had the fire reached the large shoe manufacturing on Summer street, the financial loss would have been immense and the injury to the town incalculable. A general feeling is manifested favorable to the speedy rebuilding of the "burnt district" of Natick, and the work will undoubtedly be commenced within the present month.

ON SUDBURY STREET, BOSTON.

About 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning a fire broke out in the Oakes Block on Sudbury street, Boston, and resulted in the total destruction of the block, and in heavy losses to the occupants of the building, amounting probably to over \$160,000. An alarm was promptly sounded but the fire gained so much headway that the engines could do nothing but confine it to the block in which it originated, and in an hour the flames were under control. Among the heavy losers are the following publishers who had works in process of completion in the bindery of E. Fleming & Co., who occupied two stories, and who are themselves heavy losers.—Lee & Shepard, \$25,000, (covered by insurance); Congregational Publishing Society, \$12,000, insured for \$8000; Woolworth, Almsworth & Co. of New York, classical works, \$10,000, insured in New York companies; J. R. Osgood & Co. \$1000; John L. Shorey, \$3,800 on Sargent's Readers, and \$1000 on the Nursery, for which he has only \$1000 insurance; several machinists and a safe manufacturer also lost heavily.

AT DORCHESTER—LOSS \$8000.

This fire was discovered about 10 o'clock Tuesday evening, in a block of unfinished tenements, and was well under way before the department reached it. The block was destroyed, and as the buildings were very cheaply constructed there was probably no insurance.

A DISASTROUS JOKE.—George Rebmann, proprietor of a Cincinnati saloon, on Monday night, snapped a revolver at an old deaf and dumb German, named Nicholas Klass, who was boarding with him, remarking that he was going to scare him. The pistol exploded, fatally wounding Klass. Rebmann was horrified and plunged into the river. He was rescued, locked up and released on \$10,000, and is now stark mad.

HORRIBLE MURDER.—A horrible murder was committed in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Wednesday. Two Swedish seamen became involved in a quarrel over a game of cards when one drew a sailor's knife with a blade six inches long and stabbed his opponent in five different places. The murderer fled, but was caught while attempting to board a vessel at Atlantic dock.

A BANK VICTIMIZED.—L. N. Stilwell, President of the First National Bank at Anderson, Indiana, was arrested on Saturday for embezzlement of the funds of the bank. L. B. Kline, Cashier of the same bank has decamped.

About \$750,000 worth of taxable property has been added to the town of Adams the past year.

Thomas Clark has disappeared from New Marlboro, leaving \$5000 worth of unpaid bills to vex the tradesmen.

Moses Rachen was seriously injured at the Hoosac Tunnel, the other day, by an unexpected explosion of nitro-glycerine.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

...J. H. Jenks, at the Post-Office, has been appointed agent in this place for the United States Tea Company of New York.

...Walker, the obstinate Britisher who went to jail rather than pay his taxes, has caved in, paid the collector and returned to Three Rivers.

...Rev. R. R. Riddell, formerly pastor of the Baptist church here, but now of South Berwick, Me., has been on a visit with his wife to his friends in Palmer this week.

...All singers who feel interested in the matter of preparing for an old folks' concert this winter, are invited to meet at the Congregational vestry, this Saturday evening.

...The friends of James S. Loomis and wife will observe the 25th anniversary of their wedding next Friday evening. They will, no doubt, have a general house-warming.

...A Young Peoples' Literary Club has been organized in this village, with the following officers:—President, William A. Weld; Vice Pres., Laura P. Blanchard; Sec'y, Fred Allen; Treas. Ernie Bailey.

...We shall write a splendid obituary of that man who runs his snow-plow about the streets and makes paths for pedestrians. Such a man deserves honorable mention in this world, and high honors when he passes in his checks at the end.

...Don't forget the Methodist festival at the Town Hall, next Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The Thorndike Dramatic Club will furnish the entertainment each evening, after which there will be a social supper. All are cordially invited and they will do their best to entertain all who may come.

...The music business of G. H. Southland Co. in this village, has been quite good since the new year came in, and under the management of "Clark, the Jeweler," they have sold about \$300 worth of musical merchandise, of which \$230 was for a cabinet organ, and the rest for sheet music and small instruments.

...The Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society at their special meeting on Tuesday decided not to authorize the purchase of any more land for an addition to their park. The 18th annual report of the society is just published, together with the address by Dr. Wakefield at the last fair, and copies can be had at the store of the secretary.

...The Reform Club Monday evening completed its organization by electing E. Brown, J. A. Squire and H. G. Cross, vice-presidents; Mrs. B. Adams, treasurer, and E. J. Wood, chaplain. The Club has increased largely since the first meeting, and committees were appointed to make provisions for sustaining the interest in the meetings, and look after the general welfare of the Club. The next public meeting will be held at the Cong. vestry Monday evening, to which all are invited.

BRIMFIELD.

The good people of Brimfield have been greatly agitated of late, over the reported attempt at burglary, on Prospect Hill, familiarly known as "Sut Hill." It appears that one of our good citizens residing there, on the evening of Jan. 2d, on going to a back door saw some one at the side door endeavoring to gain an entrance to the house, but on seeing some one watching him, took to his heels. The men of the neighborhood were quickly aroused and armed with various weapons of defense, and led on by the famous "Cherokee" soon started in pursuit over the hills, through pastures and woods, tracking the daring thief, but on account of the darkness they lost the trail; so they returned home to resume the pursuit the following day at day break. At sunrise they were out again on the trail. They tracked the fugitive round the hills and back into a well beaten path, where all trace was lost. In want of any thing better to do, they held a short "Council of war," and came to the sensible conclusion, that the men wished for a drink of cider, then they all adjourned. The people living on the hill have missed small articles at one time and another and intend to ferret out the person if possible, and protect themselves from further annoyance.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

It has been said that "no news is good news." If so, we have good news hereabouts; all is quiet here. True, there has been three or four tobacco buyers through the parish within ten days, and have purchased a few lots, paying from 27, 10 and 5 to 23, 10 and 5, which has made those who sold look good-natured, while those who have been passed with the turn-out or rejection, "Your tobacco is too dark," or "We may be along next week and look at it again," has decidedly long faces. The neighbors hardly recognize them. The mumps are having quite a run among the school children, and occasionally an adult keeps the house for a week, and when next seen looks quite "chop swollen."—Dea. Jacob Leonard, who is nearing four score years, is in feeble health. The Deacon has probably built more dams, and dug more raceways and canals to factories than any man now living. His disease is nervous debility. He may mend up again but is now unable to receive company.—The hall to be another dance at Academy Hall next week.—Vine & Allen, contemporary merchants in Oregon, are doing a wholesale business in kerosene oil. There has been no explosions yet.

MONSON.

The Masonic fraternity, held a levee at their new headquarters (the old Cong. vestry) last Wednesday evening, and many brothers from surrounding towns were present.—The Grange will not occupy Masonic Hall as had been intended, but will probably with the "Sovereigns of Industry" engage quarters in some other locality, and not be obliged to pay all the rent.

By the way, our mechanics are heartily engaged in the new movement of the "Sovereigns of Industry," and as the fee for membership is only two dollars for men and one dollar for women, it is presumed that the order of the sovereigns will receive many additions on this account, as they can reap benefits in like manner with the granges. The mechanics and workmen are just beginning to open their eyes and say that if prices for labor are to come down, there must be a reduction in some way of the necessities of life. It is apparent to the masses that there is trouble somewhere, and that it costs all they can earn to live, but they have not heretofore thought of the speculators' rings, and viewed the various combinations in the light in which they are now being presented to the public. The workmen are now opening their eyes to the fact that they are the ones who support, and in the end pay for all the luxuries the millionaire and monopolist enjoys, and they seek to gain justice for themselves, and to bestow no more special privileges on the men who "take all, and nothing give."

WARE AND VICINITY.

...The McHale Guards of Southbridge, will appear at Music Hall, Saturday evening, 24th inst.

...Albert E. Knight, the Hardwick merchant, compromised with his creditors at the rate of 25 cents on a dollar.

...Rev. N. Fellows, Presiding Elder of the Worcester District, will preach at the M. E. church next Sabbath at 10 1/2 A. M.

...We are promised a return of the popular Hyers Sisters Troupe at no distant day. A glad welcome is in store for them.

...The superintendent of the East Cong. Sabbath School reports the average attendance for the past year as 216, and the amount contributed by the school about \$203.00.

...Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield occupied the Unitarian pulpit last Sabbath afternoon, no service being held in the evening. Rev. Mr. Atwell of Springfield again officiated at Trinity Church.

...The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met at the residence of Dr. E. L. Richardson Wednesday afternoon and evening. The Ladies Benevolent Society held their fortnightly social on Thursday evening at Mr. Orrin Sage's.

...Wm. Sturtevant, a young man about 25 years of age, and living in the western part of Hardwick, was killed by the falling of a tree while at work in the woods on Friday last. He lived but a short time after receiving the stroke.

...Our Grattan Society announce a dramatic entertainment to be given at Edwards' Hall, Southbridge, this (Saturday) evening. They will present the Melo-Drama "Ambrose Gwynett" and also the laughable farce entitled "Ebenezer Venture." Appropriate music is to be furnished.

...In the American Newspaper Reporter of Jan. 12, may be found a very complimentary but unsolicited notice of the "business cards" issued a short time since from the press of Eddy, the Printer. That gentleman may reasonably be gratified at such a notice of his workmanship from New York publishers.

...The farmers' club of Dist. 7 still flourishes. Meetings are held every Saturday evening. The question for discussion next Saturday evening is, "Resolved, That farmers derive more profits from their live stock than any other source." The paper will be read by F. A. Blackmer. All are invited to attend.

...The 83d birthday of Mrs. James Merriam was celebrated on Monday evening with quite a company of her friends at the vestry of the Unitarian Church. The occasion was a very pleasant and social one, and heartily enjoyed by the aged lady as well as those who had gathered with her. Refreshments were served by the ladies during the evening.

...The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ware National Bank occurred Tuesday afternoon, at which time the old Board of Officers were reelected, viz: Wm. Hyde, President; Orrin Sage, Vice President; Wm. S. Hyde, Cashier; W. L. Demond, Assistant Cashier; Directors, Wm. Hyde, Orrin Sage, Otis Lane, W. S. Hyde of Ware, Wm. Mixer of Hardwick, Nathan Richardson of Warren, Emmons Twichell of Brookfield, Ezra Cary of Enfield, John Ward of New Britain, Ct. A report of the standing of the Bank may be found in our advertising columns.

...The rooms recently fitted up under the audience-room of the Cong. church at Warren, for the use of the ladies at their social gatherings and for evening religious services, were formally dedicated on Monday evening. Rev. Dr. Perkins of this town made the address, followed by appropriate remarks from Rev. D. J. Bliss, Dr. J. W. Hastings, Rev. S. J. Astin and others. Refreshments were served in abundance, and music was also furnished by the choir. The expense of this enterprise has been about \$1,500 and the rooms now have a pleasant and attractive appearance. The whole matter has been under the personal direction of Mr. M. K. Whipple, to whom much credit is due for the arrangement and general good taste exhibited.

...State Constable W. E. Lewis, with the assistance of Officers Casey and Borlin of Holyoke, and Bush of West Brookfield, made one three druggists a somewhat unwelcome visit on Tuesday afternoon, and carried away a large quantity of liquors, of many varieties and in all about 215 gallons. Dr. Yale was the most unfortunate, being relieved of 163 gallons. Dr. Miner came next in order with about 41 gallons, and J. H. Pepper only six. We are informed that these druggists have more than once been warned that they must use greater care in the dispensing of liquors, but not heeding the warning they have thus been made to feel the force of law as above related. The State Police have certainly done no more than their duty though it may have been an unpleasant medicine for the Doctors to take.

County News.

The Hampden and Hampshire Good Templar's Union held their quarterly session in Springfield, Tuesday, with a large attendance. Favorable reports were received from nearly all the lodges of the Union.

From four to six letters are daily sent from Springfield to the dead-letter office at Washington.

Bush & Co., are running their distillery at Westfield up to its fullest capacity.

During 1873 Holland had one birth, and six deaths, but no marriages.

The Springfield armory is turning out a hundred guns daily.

Mrs. Albert Patterson, an employe in the Belfast, Me., shoe factory, received quite a severe injury one day last week. Passing a sanding machine her hair, which was worn down the back, was caught in a revolving beam of the machine and instantly drawn down, her head striking with such force as to cut a gash three inches in length. The belt was instantly thrown off, which prevented further injury.

An inquiring sort of man has been niggling into the building of the new water tunnel in Chicago. He found at each of the three shafts five city inspectors superintending the work of seven workmen. The fifteen inspectors were drawing an aggregate of \$90 a day and the workmen \$43.

A corner in lard is the last excitement on the New York Produce Exchange. A slippery corner that, and the bulls may fall like the bears from the melting away of margins.

The doubtful statement is made that a hospital in Liverpool, England, refuses to accept a gift of \$5000 unless the donor gives his name.

Owing to the extensive prevalence of the small-pox in Pittsburg, N. Y., the churches have been closed and assemblies forbidden in the town.

The Cleveland Herald speaks of a man having severed his connection with the Blade. We thought the blade did the severing in such cases.

The pupils in a school at Nashua, N. H., came near getting the biggest blowing they ever had, Monday. A steam radiator in the hall exploded.

During a row in Holyoke on Sunday, John McCarty had his skull fractured and is not expected to live. His assailants have been arrested.

The superintendency of the New York and Boston express line, made vacant by the death of Mr. James Parker, has been accepted by William A. Wallace.

A clergyman at Hazelton, Pa., recently appended a note to a wedding notice in a local paper, announcing that it was the 999th couple he had married.

School teachers at Fall River, are not permitted to whip pupils until the day after that on which the offence meriting punishment was committed.

At this late day, the ex-deputy sheriff of New York have been looking in the closets and under the beds in Genet's house in search of his missing owner.

S. E. Goodyear, proprietor of the Elm street tea store in Springfield, has failed; his liabilities are said to be over \$10,000, and Boston firms are the chief losers.

A farmer of Norwood, on the line of the New York and New England Railroad, was engaged in plowing Friday morning, and robins were singing among the trees.

The Chaplain of the New York Senate on Wednesday in his opening prayer invoked Divine Providence to hold in His own hand that powerful engine, the public press.

About twenty-five operators in the Potomac Mills, New Bedford, who were notified Tuesday that their wages were to be reduced the second time, struck and ceased work.

Mr. L. N. Clark, editor of the Western Hampden Times, was thrown from a carriage on Saturday and seriously injured. He was picked up senseless, but will soon be out again.

A Chicago correspondent declares that all gentlemen of elegant leisure are aristocracy in Indianapolis, are colored. He will have to "keep dark" in that city himself in future.

Claims amounting to \$100,000,000 have been presented to the Mexican Claims Commission by Mexicans against the United States, for depredations alleged to have been committed by Americans.

A school teacher in Pittston, Me., after coddling a tardy scholar, drew a pistol upon some of the boys who were advancing to the support of their comrade. The boys soon disarmed him, and the teacher quit the school.

Twenty-seven married ladies in St. Joseph, Mo., have formed a club which is supported by each lady's husband, paying to her his doctor's bill a month in advance, and by a fine of \$5 imposed for every mention of domestic affairs.

The Springfield Republican, undaunted by libel suits, says that "Boss" Phelps has promptly drawn his draft for \$225,000 on that majority of two to one in his favor in the City Government, that he boasted of in his letter to Rockville.

Honolulu men are an enterprising set. One of them improved a rainy hour, last month, by planting a patch of taro on the sidewalk in a public street. The papers talked about it just as New England village papers talk about burdocks.

Mike Hannegan, a rough and desperate prisoner in Winona, Minn., kindled a fire on the floor of his cell and trusted to the chance of a hole being burned through before he was burned up. The latter result had been nearly accomplished when the keepers discovered and quenched the flames.

Over 9000 coal miners of the Schuylkill region have struck against the reduction from last season's price (\$2.50) and all the coal operations of that region are stopped. The miners declare that they will not accede to President Gowen's proposition, which was a sliding scale of prices, with \$2.25 as the lowest, and unless he recedes there will be a prolonged struggle. The miners of Columbia and Northumberland counties are affected directly by this action of the Schuylkill men, and all the region directly. The whole region will have to suspend in a few days.

VALUABLE TESTIMONY.—Messrs. Cutler Bros. & Co., Gentlemen: Having used your Vegetable Pulmonary Balsam for the past 35 years, I will say I think it the very best remedy that can be found for the cure of Coughs, Colds, and all Pulmonary Complaints. I have tried various other remedies to please my friends, but find nothing to compare with it. I have been troubled with weak lungs from childhood, and take cold from very slight causes; but always get relief from using your Balsam. Yours, with respect, Mrs. J. F. WOOD, Dec. 28, 1873. No. 1 Worcester Place, Boston.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 24, 1874.

On the bill which recently passed the U. S. House of Representatives, restoring the old salaries, Mr. Dawes, our Congressman, was found voting against it.

The next College regatta will be held at Saratoga, at which Springfield leaves a deep sigh. But then, one city should not expect to enjoy all the good things in this world.

CALB CUSHING decides to accept the ministry to Spain, for which he is just as well fitted as for chief justice. He can fit into more places than most men, and with greater ease.

THE Springfield fire department has been cleaned out, as we predicted it would be. Mr. Leshure is chief, and the other officers are distributed among the victors. The police are trembling in the balance.

POSTMASTER CRESSWELL is favorable to the repeal of the law which imposed postage on weekly newspapers in the county where printed, and on exchanges. He has set Congress to thinking about it, and the hastily enacted law may go overboard this year.

For a wonder the Massachusetts Central Railroad does not propose to apply to the Legislature for any assistance, but will ask for an extension of time in which to complete the work. That's encouraging. Give the railroad all the time it asks, gentlemen, if it won't ask for money.

As the grange is not suited to all classes of laborers, a new organization called the Sovereigns of Industry has been started, and it is intended that both can unite in a common purpose. But will the farmers yield to the idea that mechanics are the Sovereigns of Industry, when they claim to be gods of the soil?

MRS. BADGER, one of the ladies, elected on the Boston school committee, has committed suicide. She left Boston several weeks ago, and was last seen on board the boat for New York. She was missed soon after, and there is now but little doubt that she jumped into the water during a fit of melancholy, and was drowned, as she had shown symptoms of mental depression during the evening.

MORRISON R. WAITE of Ohio, was President Grant's third choice for Chief Justice, and he was accepted by the Senate on Thursday. Mr. Waite is a Yankee by birth, and has had 37 years of constant law practice in Toledo, Ohio, by which he has accumulated a comfortable fortune. He is now president of the Ohio Constitutional Convention, and his legal ability and personal character are highly spoken of.

A BILL has been introduced to our legislature taxing religious associations for property held by them. A great many millions are so held in this State, and if the churches and parsonages were taxed the revenue would be largely increased. Taxation would prevent, no doubt, the building of so many costly churches, and perhaps render new ones more accessible to the common people, who cannot afford to worship in some of our religious palaces.

THE Smith sisters down in Glastonbury, who let the collector sell their cows rather than pay their taxes, are getting sympathy all about. In Boston a fund is being raised for them, and they are getting letters of condolence from all parts of the country. Those cows are becoming as famous as Mrs. O'Leary's brindle milker that set fire to Chicago. Taxation without representation is wrong, and who knows but these Glastonbury helpers may be the means of giving the ballot to women?

THE Siamese twins are dead. Chang died first, and when Eng discovered the fact he became terribly shocked, raved wildly for awhile, and in two hours died. The twins were born at a small village on the coast of Siam, in the year 1811. Their parents sustained themselves by fishing. In 1829 the twins were brought to this country, and exhibited, attracting great attention, after which they bought a plantation in North Carolina, married sisters, and had eleven children. They died at Greensboro, Saturday morning. Their deaf mute children express their sorrow in a most pitiful manner.

HEAVY FIRES IN CHICAGO.—Two heavy fires damaged Chicago on Tuesday to the amount of over \$600,000. The first broke out about 2 o'clock in the morning, and destroyed the Union Central depot on Lake street. Nothing was saved from any of the offices connected with the depot, all being swallowed up in common destruction. The tracks were crowded with cars, and most of them were saved, but the men were unable to move a number of fine passenger cars. The loss is estimated at \$400,000. The second fire broke out while the first was in progress and destroyed five large buildings, on which the loss will exceed \$200,000.

Cornell University will provide a chair for the profession of Journalism, and will teach aspirants for the chair editorial, everything from setting type to writing editorials.

A Delaware man wrote 540 letters to a young lady and then broke the engagement. She has sued for damages, presumably for the wear and tear of her visual organs.

HALL J. KELLEY.

There died in this town, on Wednesday last, a man who in years gone by had considerable national character, and for the past twenty-five years has been more or less a petitioner in the lower house of Congress. We refer to HALL J. KELLEY, who was born at Gilman, N. H., in the year 1790. He graduated at Dartmouth, and became a school teacher by profession, and in 1820 became principal of the grammar school in Boston. He married into a family of wealth and social eminence, and his resolute mind, his versatile talents and strong determination brought him into public notice there. He early became interested in the colonization of Oregon, and in 1830 published a geographical sketch of that territory. In 1832 he came to Palmer and formed a manufacturing company at Three Rivers. This company failed, and he sunk some \$10,000 in the enterprise. He subsequently procured a charter from the Massachusetts legislature for a company under the name of the American Society for the Colonization of Oregon, and in the fall of 1832 started with a small party from Boston for Oregon. He went through Mexico and was two years on the route. He reported himself plundered by Mexican officers, though he was traveling under a pass from the U. S. Government. When at Monterey he persuaded a party of hunters to join his expedition, and the whole party arrived at Vancouver in the fall of 1834. Some of his party settled on the Wallamet, but he no sooner commenced his work of settlement than the Hudson Bay Company, which was engaged in the business in all that region, began to harass him and throw obstacles in his way. His party on the Wallamet were influenced to turn against him, and in 1835 he left, having made surveys of the country and started the first settlement. He lost about \$30,000 in this enterprise, and returned by way of the Sandwich Islands in broken health. He made his way back to Palmer and settled down at Three Rivers, where for many years he acted as the agent of Mr. Pickering of Boston.

He became almost a monomaniac on this Oregon question. His property was gone, his wife left him, and his family of children were scattered. He applied to Congress for a grant of land in Oregon, as some remuneration for his discoveries and losses there; but, though he published pamphlet after pamphlet setting forth his claim, and got many members interested in his behalf, he never succeeded. He flattered that the Hudson Bay Company, or its emissaries, were still opposing him, and that even his own neighbors had conspired against him. He had extensive correspondence with distinguished men in all parts of the country, and his manuscripts were voluminous. There is little doubt that he was entitled to consideration by Congress for what he did, for the history of Oregon credits him with making the first settlement there.

For many years past Mr. Kelley has lived alone in a small cottage at Three Rivers, and though conscious of approaching dissolution he yet hoped that Congress would do him justice. On Friday last week, he was taken with a fit of apoplexy, and lingered speechless till Wednesday. His remains were taken to East Gilman on Thursday, where he has a brother and other friends.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER.—A terrible catastrophe happened at Bennington, Vt., at 8 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The knitting mill of H. E. Bradford was burned, the fire being caused by a leakage in a gas-line pipe. The gas ignited from a boiler fire, and exploded, demolishing the adjoining room. Nine women at work there were instantly killed by the explosion or burned to death in the fire which followed, and many others were injured, some shockingly. The card and sorting room were saved from destruction. Loss about \$100,000; partially insured. The mill was a one-story brick building, and the explosion lifted the roof and burst out the walls of the building so that the roof fell back, crushing many of the employees. The fire spread instantaneously all over the building, and it was half consumed before the fire could be got under control by the fire department. It was a fearful scene.

THE FAILURES OF 1873.—From the annual circular of a mercantile agency in Boston, it appears that of the increased bankruptcies or suspensions of payment of \$107,000,000 in 1873 over 1872 the large portion of \$71,000,000 is chargeable to the city of New York. The failures outside of this city involves less than \$36,000,000 in excess of 1872, while the number of business houses from which the mercantile agency receives reports is now \$600,000, against \$431,000 three years ago. Of the New York failures a very large amount is involved in the prominent banking firms that let down in September, owing heavily to depositors and on call loans, a considerable portion of which has since been liquidated or adjusted.

ACCIDENT ON EASTERN RAILWAY.—The wooden bridge on the Eastern Railway between Saco and Biddeford was destroyed by fire on Tuesday afternoon, loss \$70,000. Passengers and baggage were transferred over a road bridge by a carry of about a quarter of a mile. The Boston & Maine road promptly tendered all the assistance in their power, and the business of the road will probably not be much delayed by the accident. A temporary truss bridge will be erected, and trains running over it in about two weeks.

A heavy conflagration in Yeddo, Japan, on the 9th of December last, is just reported. Between 5,000 and 6,000 buildings were destroyed, and the loss is estimated at \$200,000. The fire devastated the more wealthy part of the city, and many of the buildings containing valuable treasures, being fire-proof were saved.

Parties who wish to be accommodated at the State Prison would do well to apply at once, as there are but sixteen unoccupied cells now at the disposal of the Warden.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICE.

Don't you forget that F. M. Eager, at Palmer, manufactures more boots and shoes to measure than any other one shop in Hampden county.

.....Harrington, the veteran ventriloquist, is billed for the Congregational vestry, next Friday evening.

.....Rev. Mr. Howard, of North Wilbraham filled the pulpit of the 2d Cong. church last Sunday in exchange with Rev. Mr. Fullerton.

.....Nassawanne Hall will be enlivened next Friday evening by a dancing party, with good music and under the prompting of T. A. Holland.

.....Chas. B. Flak has been elected cashier of the Holyoke National Bank, an office which he has held temporarily since the defalcation of the last cashier.

.....There is a fair prospect of our having an Old Folk's Concert again this winter. The singers interested meet at the American House this Saturday evening to rehearse.

.....Dr. H. Addison Stewart, who has had great success in the treatment of chronic diseases, is stopping at the American House, and can be consulted there free of charge, until next Wednesday.

.....Another fatal accident was reported from Three Rivers on Friday morning, where a named Sullivan jumped from a moving train, and received injuries which it is reported have caused his death.

.....The next meeting of the Temperance Reform Club will be held to-morrow (Sunday) evening in the Cong. vestry, and an interesting meeting, with good speaking and singing is expected. Every one is welcome.

.....George W. Hitchcock, of Potsdam, N. Y., is the young man who will fill the vacant clerkship in our village post office when his cousin Willard C. Hitchcock assumes the duties of route agent on the Ware River R. R.

.....An unknown man was struck by the cars of the S. & N. E. R. R. near Three Rivers, early Wednesday morning, and severely bruised on the head and hip. He was deaf and dumb, and a stranger, but was put under good care at the village.

.....The landlord of the American House in this village was made happy at the gift of a fine gold watch valued at \$175, from his wife, five days ago, which he asserts was bought by her own earnings, and the presentation was a complete surprise to him.

.....A fatal accident occurred on the N. L. R. R. near Stafford, Conn., on Thursday. Cornelius Sullivan, division master, and a section hand, hitched their hand car to the rear end of a passenger train, and after running a short distance one of the wheels broke, throwing both men off, killing Sullivan instantly, and the other only lived a few hours.

MR. EDITOR.—An article having appeared in your last issue, stating that the Thorndike Dramatic Club would give an entertainment on each evening of the Methodist festival at Four Corners, the 21st and 22d inst., and the club having done nothing of the kind, they beg leave to rise and explain to their many friends, that this was not because of any breach of engagement on their part, but because the club had management on the part of the festival folks.

.....The Young People's Literary Club of this village have secured rooms in the Commercial block for their use, and hold their next meeting on Wednesday evening, Jan. 28th, at 7.30, when they will be entertained by declamations, readings, recitations and music from the members. For lack of room to accommodate the public none but members are admitted, but all young persons of either sex, are invited to make applications for membership to the secretary, Mr. Fred Allen. The club are making arrangements for giving a public dramatic entertainment in a few weeks to raise funds. Twenty-one persons joined the club at its last meeting.

.....That "Comical Brown" who for several years has delighted the inhabitants of the different cities and towns in New England, will appear at Antique House Hall this Saturday evening in one of his unique entertainments. He is supported by Mrs. Louie Shaffer, Mr. Oscar Shaffer, Mr. A. H. Buxton and Prof. Hill, a quartette of musical talent. This is the largest organization that Brown ever brought here, and we hear it spoken of as being the best, and we should advise all who wish to spend an evening of enjoyment to visit the entertainment. Secure your tickets in advance, which are for sale at the post office.

Rev. Wm. P. Blackmer of Oakdale will read a poem written by W. H. Burleigh, entitled "The Rm Friend," in Pickering Hall, Three Rivers, next Wednesday evening, Jan. 28th. There will also be good singing by the Three Rivers Glee Club, which will add interest to the evening's entertainment. Tickets 15 cts, and they can be procured of D. M. Chapman, H. N. Sedgwick and at the door. Doors open at 7.30.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.—Dr. Jewett, from the Alliance, addressed the citizens of the village at the Baptist church, Wednesday evening. Notwithstanding the weather was unpleasant after a rainy day, the house was well filled, and all seemed to enjoy the treat. He was practical in his remarks and much amusing. His lecture was so well received that it was thought best to have him come again in no distant day, which he has agreed to do. Both the Lacombe and Ravine mills paid their help promptly on the 20th. There is a rumor that the Ravine is to stop when their stock is used up. I do not credit the report. Michael Shay has opened a boarding house in "Oregon," and if he has not some other refreshment connected therewith he is misrepresented. There is to be a dance at Academy Hall Friday evening. Music by Bennett's Quadrille Band and Glendale. Mrs. Ebenezer Howlett, who is living on borrowed time, had occasion to ride with stage proprietor Davis to Springfield the other day. She said she thought that something dreadful was about to happen, for she was riding in a stage, something that had not happened in forty years. She once did ride in a stage and was fearful what might be in reserve for her and her husband.

On Thursday and Friday evenings of last week the Congregationalists and the Methodists held union prayer meetings together, first at the Congregational church and next at the Methodist. These union meetings are expected to be continued for some time, and the pastors, Rev. C. B. Sumner and the Rev. W. Silverthorn will preach sermons at the beginning of some of these

meetings. Many people have shown their interest in these meetings by attending them in very cold weather in large numbers. Soon, some such meetings may be held afterwards and also evenings. Some good people here are earnestly praying and laboring for a revival of religion, such as is greatly needed in this beautiful old town of wealth, industry and culture.

The M. E. Society propose having a supplementary exhibition and social at Green's Hall before long.—Geo. M. King has secured a position as bookkeeper with D. W. Ellis, and will honor the situation.—The Patrons of Husbandry choose officers for the ensuing year on Monday evening next.—The Monson Brass Band and members of the grange will jointly occupy the hall in Green's Block, and it is possible that the "Sovereigns of Industry" will also have the same rooms for their headquarters.—The straw shop is in full blast, and prospects as good any season heretofore.—G. H. Newton has been appointed deputy of the "Sovereigns of Industry."—Deputy Newton of the Patrons of Husbandry organized a grange at North Blanford last week Friday evening, and also one at Chester on Tuesday evening last.—Miss Janetie Burdick, employed in the sewing room of the straw shop, had the misfortune last Saturday to catch her hair in some of the machinery, and wound round so as to tear on a large lock before the belt could be slipped off. It was a narrow escape from a far more serious accident.—The Monson Harmony Society will give a concert in Green's Hall next Wednesday evening. They have a fine chorus, and will be assisted by G. H. Southard, cornet, Miss Minnie Liles, Pianist, and Miss McLean, Soprano, all of Springfield.

WARE AND VICINITY.

.....Charles Phillips has purchased the Barton place near the depot.

.....Franklin D. Richards has been re-commissioned as Trial Justice.

.....The Ware hotel is again to change hands, as the house is advertised to rent.

.....The Ladies' Benevolent Society met at the residence of James P. Holmes, South St., on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

.....Benben Snow has sold his livery business to Daniel Emmerson, who will carry on the same at the hotel stables on Bank St.

.....The monthly meeting of the Ware Grange occurred Wednesday evening, at which time a portion of the officers were installed.

.....The dramatic exhibition at Southbridge last Saturday evening by the Grattan society of this town, attracted a large audience, the gross receipts amounting to about \$100.

.....J. H. Storrs has exchanged two houses on West Main St. for the "Peelies Farm," now occupied by James McArdle, the latter paying \$1,600 in cash for the privilege of an exchange.

.....John P. Gallagher was brought before Justice Richards, Tuesday, to answer to the charge of drunkenness. He was released on the payment of fine and costs amounting to \$7.90.

.....The Masonic Fraternity held a social at Masonic Hall, in company with a number of invited guests, on Thursday evening. Music, refreshments, and a social time generally, were the order of exercise.

.....The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society connected with the East Cong. church was held at the chapel on Thursday afternoon, at which time Mrs. Ballantine of Amherst, gave a familiar talk to the ladies on missionary work in India.

.....In consequence of the early train from Barre being thrown from the track at Gilbertville Saturday morning, the first train to Palmer was not made that day. No serious damage resulted from the accident, as the train was moving slowly at the time.

.....The McHale Guards of Southbridge will occupy Music Hall this (Sat.) evening, and present a grand entertainment, "Ireland as it is," the entertainment closing with the langhous Irish farce, "That rascal Pat." Music, both vocal and instrumental, will be provided.

.....The meetings held at the school house in Dist. No. 9, Hardwick, under the auspices of the Ware Mission Band, on Wednesday and Sunday evenings, are well attended by the people of that vicinity, of all ages, and are exceedingly interesting. About fifty were present last Sabbath evening.

.....Haven't our druggists been as careful as usual, or do they interfere too much with the town agent? By the way, we are informed by one of our doctors that the records of the town agent show that a number of names appear there that represent persons who are notorious users of intoxicating liquor, and who cannot obtain liquor from any respectable druggist. A warning perhaps would help that matter. All we ask is that if the law is violated, let it be enforced alike. Let nothing protect any man who violates the law. Then and there only can we know whether we have a good law or not.

.....Seldom it is when a seizure made by the State Constables makes such a sensation as the one made by them last week. It appears that it was made only after repeated warnings. We would like to inquire by what authority a warning was given? So that according to law, does our State Constable warn the peddler of rustic chairs, before making a complaint? Does the State Constable warn Arthur Kane when he is going to make a seizure? Or that if the present order of things is continued he will make a seizure, does respectability protect a certain class and not another? Does membership in a church protect a man or give him such a preference, that after he has violated a certain law of the State he is entitled to notice? We think such is not the law; but judging from the articles in last week's issue we should say that such had been the practice. But why is the seizure made at this time? Why this sudden activity?

.....On January 6 in Liverpool, England, a young man was executed for a murder committed on the 1st of November last. It is hard to say which is worse—to let a crime go unpunished, or to inflict the severest penalty of the law with a haste that seems almost inhuman.

.....New Orleans is agitating the subject of planting a tree called the "Encalypsus Globulus," which is said to be an antidote of the yellow fever.

.....There is a demand in California for the enforcement of the law forbidding the carrying of concealed weapons.

News in Brief.

—St. Louis has a firm named "Hide and Run."

—Rhode Island has over \$30,000 in its pocket.

—It cost Uncle Sam only \$6,000,000 to double up his fists at Spain.

—The Supreme Judicial Court of New Hampshire has a new clerk—a girl.

—It is proposed now to make Lincoln's birthday, February 12th, a national holiday.

—John True Gordon, the Thorndike, Me., murderer, has received a sentence of death by hanging.

—You can now shoot a man without fear of punishment in Kentucky, if you only give him fair warning.

—On New Year's night, a prisoner burned his way out of the Mariposa, Cal., county jail, with a tallow candle.

—Miss Elizabeth Bates, who recently died at Indianapolis, bequeathed \$100,000 to the poor of that city.

—There has been a decided increase in the net earnings of the Union Pacific railroad during the present year.

—A Chicago woman borrowed \$200 of her husband, and the first thing he knew she had used it to procure a divorce.

—Gen. Cushing is usually preparing to depart for Spain, he having concluded to accept the mission to that country.

—The Boston and Maine Railroad can boast of carrying over 5,000,000 passengers, last year, and killing only one.

—A Pennsylvania man hung himself, the other day, because he didn't want to appear in court as a witness. Sensitive being!

—A Chicago man wants to form a joint stock company to build a little manufacturing village with houses for 1,650,000 inhabitants.

—Wm. A. Hunt, Cashier of the Hannibal (Mo.) Savings Bank, is a defaulter to the amount of \$20,000, and has left for parts unknown.

—"What is a more exhilarating sight," asks a Vermont paper, "than to see eighteen handsome girls riding down hill on an ox sled?"

—The man who caused the great conflagration of August 2, at Portland, Or., by firing the city in several places, was arrested, a few days ago.

—"He was a good man," says an Iowa paper of a deceased citizen, "but then he sometimes bet on the wrong horse, the same as the rest of us."

—The man who plunged beneath the ice in Norwich, and saved a lady from drowning, should be "suitably rewarded." There is only one way of doing it.

—It seems that the Anapies struck in the mud and ran on the rocks in New York Harbor because she wouldn't trust an American pilot. Served her right!

—We are indebted to Mr. George W. Childs, of Philadelphia for a copy of the Public Ledger Almanac for 1874, which is filled with useful information. The Public Ledger is a paper of which Philadelphia is justly proud, and it thrives well under the liberal and capable management of Mr. Childs.

[From the Springfield Republican.] We do not know that there ever was in this county so significant a tribute to personal character as we saw at the funeral of the late Maj. Franklin Morgan at Palmer. A cheerful address reigned in the whole assemblage. All felt it was a good life, well lived, well ended; nobody could complain; all could be glad that they had known their friend, and be grateful for his life and his example. Yet this was not inconsistent with the moistening of many an eye; and when a negro, passing the open coffin, lingered, wept, and reverently touched his finger to the forehead of his dead friend, and then pressed it to his own lips, few who saw withheld the answering tear.

Best of all was the personal chat in every circle, after the funeral, of the virtues and characteristics of the Major. Every one had a story tell of personal experience. But nothing concentrates more completely the essence of his life than one of his own thoughts—aloud as he was dying. "Well," he slowly muttered, "who will let the boys into the circus now I am gone?" He was the last of the race hereabouts, for the world has not outgrown the need of such characters—but it has outgrown them.

.....An unfortunate fellow, haunted by a dread of burglars, heard a noise outside one night, got up, procured his revolver, went out to investigate, shot himself in the leg, and stayed out doors all night, as he had closed the door and no night-key with him.

.....The youngest man in the United States House of Representatives is Lynch, the colored member from Mississippi. He was a slave at Natchez until the Union army entered that town, and had no education then. He is but 28 years old.

.....Women are now eligible to any office of school control or management in Pennsylvania, under the school laws of that State. At least a minority of ladies will hereafter, it is anticipated, have place on the Pennsylvania school boards.

.....A lady in Woburn, as is the custom of her sex, took a razor to cut off a corn on her toe. She failed in her purpose, but succeeded in cutting off a portion of her finger and seriously maiming another. We suggest the use of an axe the next time.

.....A barefooted Ohio girl, who walked ten miles to hire out to hoe corn, was admired by a widower worth \$60,000, and the two are now pines. Isn't there a lesson in this?

.....The Communist platform is pitifully expressed as follows: "Every man who saves money must be made to divide with those who have saved none."

.....Somebody has found out that new Chief Justice is an Episcopalian. It is too late to bring forward objections now.

FUNERAL OF MAJOR MORGAN.

A dark and gloomy day; skies weeping as if in sympathy with the sad occasion; crowds of people from the surrounding towns and distant cities; knots of men on the street in low conversation; groups of poor men and women wondering if they could gain entrance to the church with the better dressed and more favored. Such was last Monday—the funeral occasion of Major FRANKLIN MORGAN.

At the hour of 2 o'clock all business was suspended, and the doors of shops and stores were closed. There were gathered at his late residence the family and intimate friends, and some of his neighbors. The remains were in the pleasant sitting-room before the open fire-place, and the room was fragrant with a profusion of flowers. The vacant arm-chair of the deceased stood in its accustomed place, appropriately decked with cross and ripened sheaf. There was a brief service at the house—a short reading of scripture passages and prayer, by Rev. Mr. Fullerton, and the remains were taken to the Congregational church, which for an hour had been filled to overflowing. The pall bearers were Chester W. Chapin of Springfield, Ex-Gov. Bullock of Worcester, Robt. Pomeroy of Pittsfield, Mr. Richardson of Warren, James B. Humrill and Wm. Gunn of Springfield, and John W. Linsley and Jacob Stever of Palmer. The center sills were filled mostly with persons from abroad, among whom were Edward Dickinson of Amherst, Chas. A. Stevens of Ware, Supt. C. O. Russell, General Manager Bliss, and Vice-President Lincoln of the B. & A. Railroad; E. B. Gillett of Westfield; Daniel Harris, President of the Conn. River Railroad; Mr. Hagar, Calvin Torrey and N. A. Thompson of Boston; Samuel Bowles, H. Alexander, Jr., H. S. Hyde, and P. Kellogg of Springfield; Dr. J. M. Brewster of Pittsfield, Eleazer Porter of Hadley, Jos. A. Brown of Philadelphia, Messrs. Hammond and Patten of Homer, N. Y., and Chas. Fox of Stafford, Ct.

In the church the floral display was touching and magnificent. Friends from far and near had sent their fragrant testimonials of love and esteem, which had been tastefully arranged by Mrs. Chester W. Chapin and Mrs. J. B. Humrill of Springfield, and Mrs. Chas. Fox of Stafford. The casket was covered with crosses and wreaths, while beneath, above and all about it were wreaths, crosses, sheaves of wheat, broken shafts, vases of laurel, and trailing evergreen—all filling the church with a perfume as sweet as the memory of him for whom these were designed to honor. The Alps and aisles were crowded, and down the aisle, into the casket beneath, and out of the doorway, the throng constantly pressed. The services were brief, simple and impressive. The choir sang, "Cast thy burden on the Lord," and then the pastor spoke appropriately of the life of the deceased, characterizing him as an Apostle of Hospitality, who had shot up through all ranks of society, drawing them to him by his kindness of heart and consideration of their welfare and happiness. His heart and doors were always open to all who came. Rev. Thomas Wilson of Stoughton, the first pastor of the church, spoke feelingly of his deceased friend, and eulogized his many virtues, which he said all men should try to imitate. He closed with prayer, and the choir sang "Father, we rest in thy love." Then the great congregation filed past the casket. And such a procession was never before witnessed in Palmer, if in this Commonwealth. Rich and poor, black and white, old and young, all with a common sympathy, came to take a last sad look upon their friend.

It was nearly five o'clock before the procession reached the cemetery. The bearers rode in a stage coach drawn by four horses, typifying the early business life of the deceased. At the grave, surrounded by mourning friends, the shadows of the closing day, and in the gentle rainfall, the casket was lowered, and the words "dust to dust, ashes to ashes," were pronounced, and the great-souled man was left to his final rest.

.....The economical authorities of Grafton, Me., refrain from arresting Moses Tenney, who recently murdered his wife, on the ground that his age and infirmities render it "quite probable that in the course of nature his miserable existence may be ended by death before he will be arraigned in our courts."

.....A man was recently lodged on some petty charge in the jail at Dallas, Oregon. The first night after his incarceration he escaped, and went eight miles on foot to find a man to go his bail. The following morning he returned to Dallas with his bond all signed, and released on bail.

.....A New Hampshire party, who has just enjoyed his first experience with Washington pies, thus describes them: "They were the best flap-jacks I ever ate. They were about an inch thick, with two crusts, and had Pervian syrup spread all over between them."

.....A tradesman advertises anti-breach of promise ink, and says that writing with this ink disappears before one month, thus avoiding the system of ridicule to which old and young promise-breakers are now exposed.

.....A woman has been arrested in New York, with over \$4000 worth of wearing apparel on her person. There are believed to be some more at large in the same predicament.

.....The city treasurer of the new city of Holyoke is said to have added to his oath of office: "And I swear that if I see any more stealing going on I will expose it."

.....The Postmaster General is in favor of the free newspaper circulation in the counties where published, and of free exchanges.

.....The monument to Stephen A. Douglas at Chicago is not only still unfinished, but in a state of semi-liquidation.

.....Leading Woman Suffragists assert positively that the new Chief Justice is a firm believer in their theories.

The Amherst Student wreathefully remarks: One of our professors has adopted the mode of punishment used in our primary schools. When one of the little boys gets to playing and whispering he has him come and sit on the platform by his side. He will soon be pulling their ears and standing them up in the corners. Imagine a fellow of twenty or more years old having his ears boxed or being felled by one of our professors.

Two men, one of whom is said to be a son of Judge Williams of Washington, and the other named Moore, a clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington, were arrested in New York on Saturday evening having stolen \$75,000 in Treasury warrants from the Internal Revenue Department on the 3d inst. Upward of \$10,000 was found in their baggage. They gave the names of Mason and Edwards.

A man named Louis Gieger, a German, who came from Springfield, was found frozen to death, Monday evening, in the barn of Leonard Severance, half-way between Manchester and Hooksett, N. H. It is supposed that he got in there on Friday night, in such a condition as to be unaware of his situation, and, overcome by liquor, lay down and died from the cold.

A Mt. Carmel, Pa., man bet that he could go through the motions of whetting a scythe with two sticks from 8 o'clock one evening until daylight the next morning, and lost the bet at a quarter after 1, when the sticks fell from the benumbed hands, with which he could no longer hold them. Lost \$10.

The corpse of a woman named Martels was burned to a cinder, recently, in Milwaukee. The candles were insecure and toppled over, setting the shroud on fire and burning the flesh to a crisp before the accident was discovered.

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Heath and Home, " 2.50, " 3.00	
New York Independent, " 3.00, " 4.00	
(New subscribers only.)	
Golden Age, (with premiums), " 3.00, " 4.00	
Phrenological Journal, " 3.00, " 4.00	
(With premium.)	
Scientific American, " 3.00, " 4.25	
St. Nicholas, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Peter's Musical Monthly, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Oliver Optic's Magazine, " 3.00, " 4.00	
With premium picture, " 3.00, " 4.00	
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Peter's Magazine, " 2.00, " 3.25	
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Manufacturer and Builder, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Wood's Household Magazine, " 1.50, " 2.50	
With chromo, " 1.50, " 2.75	
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At Wilbraham, 16th, a daughter to Wm. Corcoran; 17th, a daughter to JOSHUA CURTIS.

MARRIED.
At Warren, 14th, by Rev. J. H. Moon, Francis E. Cadwell and Mary L. Cone.

DIED.
At Palmer, 17th, MARY L. MITCHELL, 38.
At Palmer, 19th, KATIE SPARROW, infant daughter of Emory B. and Mary Sparrow Hastings.
At Palmer, 19th, HANCOCK L. LIVERIDGE, 33.
At Palmer (Three Rivers), 21st, HALL J. KELLEY, 84.
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Table Shields, Plate, Water Pitcher, Tea and Coffee Pots, Stands, &c. Send one dollar and receive a sample of this elegant and useful Plated Table Furniture, round or oval. Every family needs and will buy these goods. Agents are making money. More wanted—ladies and gentlemen. STAR LAMINA WARE, 30 Beekman street, N. Y. 4w47

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DR. J. P. FITZGERALD, Baiter sworn to, I graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1833, and after 30 years' experience perfected Dr. FITZGERALD'S VEGETABLE RHEUMATIC SYRUP. I guarantee it an infallible cure for Nerve, Kidney and Rheumatic diseases. Commenced this 26th April, 1871. RHEUMATISM, Nerve, Kidney and Rheumatic diseases. Sold by all druggists. 4w47

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cures all HUMORS, from the worst SCROFULA to a common BLOTCH or PIMPLE. From two to six cures the same. It is a sure cure for SCROFULA, SORES and all SKIN and BLOOD DISEASES. By its wonderful Pectoral properties it will cure the most severe recent or lingering COUGH in half the time required by any other medicine, and is perfectly safe, loosening cough, soothing irritation, and relieving soreness. Sold by all druggists. 4w47

R. V. PIERCE, M. D.,
4w47 World's Dispensary, Buffalo, N. Y.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

The subscribers have this day formed a copartnership under the name of G. W. Burdick & Co., for the purpose of building light and heavy wagons and carts; also, machinery and tools for granite and blacksmithing in all their branches. G. W. BURDICK, NEW FIDELITY BUILDING, MONSON, JAN. 1, 1874. 3w47

WE HAVE MADE THE THE BUY-
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CLOTHING!

A SPECIALTY, AND BY SO DOING HAVE BEEN ENABLED TO SELL OUR CUSTOMERS MANY KINDS OF GARMENTS FOR LESS THAN THE COST OF THE CLOTH AND TRIMMINGS.

MANY, NO DOUBT, HAVE SEEN JOB LOTS ADVERTISED AND DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS MEANT BY THEM, AND HAVE BEEN STILL MORE CONFUSED WHEN THOSE WHOSE INTEREST IT IS TO REPRESENT US AND MISLEAD THEM HAVE TOLD THEM THEY WERE OLD STYLE, SHOP-WORN AND UNDESIRABLE GOODS.

THE FACT IS, THERE IS NOT A GARMENT IN THE JOB LOTS ADVERTISED BUT IS US THAT IS EITHER OLD STYLE, SHOP-WORN OR UNDESIRABLE.

What are Job Lots?

At the end of the season the Wholesale Clothing Manufacturers close out all Coats, Pants and Vests (when there are only a few garments in each lot left or when there are not a full line of sizes) at a large discount from the regular price. Lots closed out in this way are called Job Lots!

We have recently bought over 1300 (thirteen hundred) garments in this way, and we now offer them at PRICES LOWER THAN EVER known before.

An opportunity for purchasing Clothing for the very low prices it is now offered at by us, seldom occurs, and may not again for years. New goods cannot be produced, and sold within 50 per cent. of prices we have marked these goods to be sold for.

D. H. EAMES & CO.,
One Price, and C. O. D. Clothiers,
COR. MAIN AND FRONT STREETS,
WORCESTER.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—HAMPDEN, ss.—December 13, 1873. By virtue of an execution which is returnable in favor of the SAVINGS BANK, a corporation duly established by law and doing business in Palmer, in said county at the last term of the Superior Court for said county held for civil business, I have taken all the right in equity that PETER FURLEY, late of said Palmer, now of parts unknown had on the 10th day of February, 1873, to redeem to certain parcels of real estate lying in said Palmer, that being the day upon which the same were attached on meane process. The first tract is situate on the northern side of the road leading from the village of Thordike to Three Rivers in said village of Thordike, and is bounded southerly by said road, westerly by land of William Hastings, northerly by land of E. G. Mardock, and easterly by land occupied by Thomas V. Kent, and being the same premises described in a mortgage from said Furley to Keyes Foster, recorded in the registry of deeds for said county, book 236, page 170, to secure twelve hundred dollars and interest and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. The second tract is bounded northerly and westerly on road leading from the house of Widow Burleigh to Palmer Centre, southerly by land of Michael Connor and land formerly of said Furley and easterly by land formerly of said Furley, containing about 9 acres, and being the same described in mortgage deed from said Furley to Marshall Fox, recorded in said registry of deeds book 283, page 469, to secure three hundred and fifty dollars and interest, and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. And on Saturday, the 24th day of January next, at 3 o'clock, p. m., on said first described tract, shall offer for sale by public auction to the highest bidder, said right of equity in redemption to satisfy said execution and all charges of sale.

GEORGE W. RANDALL, Deputy Sheriff.

THE SPRINGFIELD ART UNION

Take pleasure in announcing that the drawing for their "ART UNION" will, in all probability, take place on or about

THE 22D OF THIS MONTH,

and people who have not purchased their tickets had better do so at once in order to obtain them.

TICKETS ARE \$3.00 EACH.

Each ticket secures a picture worth from ONE TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE. The entire collection can be seen at our "Art Gallery."

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4w45 SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

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PAINT SHOP AT THORDIKE;

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Thordike, Jan. 13, 1874. 1w48

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CHRISTMAS
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NEW YEAR'S

Has established HIS HEADQUARTERS at
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TOYS

In Every Variety.

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A SPECIALTY—FRESH & CHEAP.

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Conversation Cards, Puzzles,
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The New and Interesting Parlor Game of
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CHOICE IMPORTED
Perfumeries, Toilet Sets,
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POCKET KNIVES, Hair Brushes,
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of all kinds.

CHRISTMAS CANDLES!
THE GOLDEN MANUAL,
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At Low Prices for Cash.

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It will pay to travel 100 miles to at-
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All Sizes.

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Country Stores furnished with goods at
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Physicians furnished at lowest rates.

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Policies issued for any length of time—from one
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FOR FARMERS, we insure against LOSS or
DAMAGE BY FIRE or LIGHTNING, and when Live
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In companies having over \$15,000,000 assets.

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—AT—

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Low Prices.

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GOODS MUST BE SOLD.

Having fully decided to return to Europe the
coming season, I am determined to close out my
entire stock at some price. I wish in the first
place to call your attention to the fact that I am
not offering old or auction goods, but the latest
styles, and selected with great care for my trade.
I shall sell

REGARDLESS OF COST, FOR CASH

The following lot of goods, consisting of a very
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French Linens, Equestrian Cases, Trunks,
Suits, Black and White, Brilliant Silks, Silk
vests, a very large line of Cloaks and Furs, a
large variety of Shawls, Valises, Striped, Plaid
and Mixed. Also a good line of Table Linens and
Bedspreads.

Being obliged to close up my business prepara-
tory to going to Europe, to those buying for
cash.

Task simply to see my Goods and Prices.

Before going to Springfield or Boston, as such an
opportunity will never come within my reach
again. I wish to make this sale as near cash
as possible, and in order to do so my prices will be a
satisfactory inducement to parties to raise the
cash.

This sale will continue till the whole stock is
closed out.

Also a Chance to make a Fortune!

My Four Horses, Cart and Route For Sale.

Parties meaning business may address me by
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HERMAN BERGER.

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promptly.

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It increases the quantity of Nature's Own Vitaliz-
ing Agent, Iron in the blood, and cures a "thou-
sand ills," simply by toning up, invigorating and
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Bladder, Female Com-
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ALL DISEASES

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Or accompanied by

DEBILITY

—OR—

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and being consumed by the body, it does not
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Having fully decided to return to Europe the
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The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 31, 1874.

The Boston School Board at their meeting on Tuesday decided by a vote of 46 to 36, to deny the lady members the right to seats with them, although they were elected to the board by overwhelming majorities in their respective wards.

Doctor William Smith, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been arrested on a charge of wholesale poisoning of patients under his charge, and the bodies of his victims have been exhumed for examination. The doctor was a State's Prison graduate, and undoubtedly had very little regard for human life.

SEVERAL new liquor bills have been furnished the Legislature, and the committee to which all such matters are referred is hard at work. There are so many ideas concerning the liquor law that we doubt very much if the present law will be repealed. Should a new bill pass the Legislature the Governor has told that body in advance that he should give it no favor, and it would hardly be possible to pass it over his veto.

AND now the thieves of New York have put on the garb of respectable church members, and by their constant attendance on church services pulled the wool over the eyes of the sexton of Old Trinity Church, so that he willingly took charge of a bag of jewelry, and placed it for safe keeping in the church safe, not knowing it to be stolen, and there it was discovered by the police on Saturday, along with the vessels of the communion service.

THE Japanese are beginning to think, from the conduct of some of their boys who have returned home after being educated in this country, that the United States is not such a perfect place to send their children as it should be, and a recent Japan paper discourages the sending of any more youthful Japs to this country for education, on account of the evil associations with which they come in contact. It says that some of the boys on returning "put on airs over their relatives, snub good folks who have not seen the glories of America, and exhibit a strong taste for beer and profanity."

THE women are moving upon the Legislature with petitions for Woman Suffrage. They have some new causes for complaint to stimulate them—the shutting out of women from the Boston school committee after being legally elected, being one of them. For many years women have been elected in a number of towns in the Commonwealth to serve on school boards, and their right to do so has hardly been questioned; but Boston takes the responsibility of passing upon the question, and ousts the women who have been elected to serve on the school committee. This is a greater public outrage than selling Abby Smith's cows, and ought to stir the legislature into some decisive action.

AMONG the new things proposed for the Legislature to inflict upon the people is a plan of the Board of Education, which asks that the State be districted by that Board for the purpose of supplementing the existing State and municipal supervision of schools, each city in general to constitute a district, and appoint one superintendent, the rest of the State to be districted with about 200 teachers in each district, each district to have a superintendent appointed by the board, to be paid from the income of the school fund, the Board to examine and certify the candidates for teachers' positions, and a half-mill tax levied and added to the school fund. If there was any danger of the legislature making such a law we should feel like warning the public against it. The towns are not ready to give up their schools to the Board of Education, which is hankering after power in a way to make it highly obnoxious.

THE Amherst College crews have voted not to join the college association at the regatta appointed at Saratoga next summer for fear of spoiling their morals. It strikes us that a class of students who have not moral stamina enough to fill their part in a boat race without fear of contamination by John Morrissey's club house, had better be wet-nursed by immaculate professors at Amherst a little longer. We have never yet learned that the Amherst boys behaved any better at the regatta at Worcester and Springfield than the other crews; neither have we heard that their morals were injured by the betting and gambling at those places. If Saratoga water is too much for them, let them enjoy their own glory on the blue waves of the Connecticut. Nobody will object.

FIRE.—Lennoxville, Me., lost by fire on Sunday \$4000 worth of property.—Nashua N. H., suffered \$3500 worth the same day.—Charlestown, Ill., lost a large planing mill and other buildings worth \$52,000, by fire, on the same day.

A MAGNIFICENT THIEF.—Alexander D. Hamilton, treasurer of Jersey City, N. J., has absconded with over \$100,000 of the water-bonds of the city, and his own official bond. He was last heard from at Boston.

The Wesleyan boys have bravely united with those of Harvard in the purpose to risk their pure morals at Saratoga.

A Troy fellow ate four pounds of fruit cake in fifteen minutes on a wager. It is melancholy to think that he still lives.

MEDICAL men are anxious that a post-mortem examination of the bodies of the Siamese twins should be made, and they are negotiating with the wives of the deceased for the bodies. The twins each owned a plantation where their families resided, while they themselves had a custom of spending three days at each house from which they never varied. On the Thursday previous to their death the brothers were at Chang's residence, and the evening of that day was the appointed time for a removal to Eng's dwelling. The day was cold and Chang had been complaining of being very ill. Early in the evening they started upon their journey in an open wagon. Chang became chilled by the exposure and complained of being very cold, while his partner was in apparent good health. On Friday evening they retired to a small room by themselves, and went to bed, but Chang was very restless. Some time between midnight and day break they got up and sat by the fire. Again Eng protested, and said he wished to lie down, as he was sleepy. Chang stoutly refused, and replied that he hurt his breast to recline. After awhile they retired to their bed, and Eng fell into a deep sleep. About 4 o'clock one of the sons came into the room, and going to the bedside discovered that his uncle was dead. Eng was awakened and in great alarm turned and looked upon the lifeless form beside him, and was seized with violent nervous paroxysms, and before a physician could get there, the twins were dead. Their bodies were carefully packed away in anticipation of examination when terms could be agreed upon with the widows.

DEATH OF DR. LIVINGSTONE.—Intelligence has just been received in London of the death of Dr. Livingstone, the great American explorer. He died of dysentery, while traveling from Lake Bembe to Unyanyembe, in June last. He had been traveling over a partially submerged country and after wading four days in the water was seized by the illness of which he died. His body was embalmed and is on the way to England. He was born in Glasgow in 1812, and was therefore nearly 60 years old, when he was carried off by the fatal disease. In 1840 he went as a missionary to Cape Town in South Africa, and after nine years of missionary labor, he started on the series of exploring expeditions through Africa deserts which have made his name famous. In 1858 he returned to England and published a book describing his travels. In 1858 he again sailed for Africa, and started a new expedition up the Zambesi river. After a second visit to England in 1864, he commenced his explorations in search of the source of the river Nile, in which he was engaged at the time of his death. He was one of the noblest characters of the nineteenth century—a most persevering and successful explorer, amid difficulties as great as were ever encountered by man, a missionary of the Cross and a friend of humanity in all his enterprises.

DEATH OF PAREPA ROSA.—This distinguished vocalist died at London on Thursday last week. She was born at Edinburgh in 1820, and was 52 years of age at her death. Her father was a nobleman and her mother a famous singer. Madame Rosa had achieved a world wide reputation. She was twice married, in 1856 to Capt. Carvil, an English officer, who squandered their property and died in Peru. In 1866 she married Carl Rosa, a noted musician. The great glory of Parepa was a preeminence in every field of song, whether in opera or oratorio, in a florid cavatina or a simple ballad, she was superb and unapproachable. No other singer within the memory of the present generation has shown such versatility of powers. Her first appearance in opera in America, was at Springfield in 1867. She was an immensely capable person, and her splendid intellect and magnificent vocal powers were equalled only by her kindness of heart, and loveableness as a woman. Her death, was the sad result of child-birth. She has had several children.

AN INDIAN'S GRIEF.—A letter from Cheyenne Camp, Indian Territory, dated the 18th inst., mentions that a son of Lone Wolf was recently killed while raiding in Texas. This news occasioned much excitement among the Klowas. Lone Wolf showed his grief by cutting himself frightfully with a knife. He killed his horse and burned his wagon and lodge, with all his effects. Some of the Klowas talk of going to Texas to avenge the death of Lone Wolf's son when the grass comes.

A man named Bradley of Forestville was shot Saturday night by one Farrel while eating his supper. Farrel afterwards cut the body in two and threw the remains down an air hole of a deep mine near the spot. Mrs Bradley gave an alarm, and the murderer was arrested at Miersville. The cause of the murder is unknown.

The State Grange of Michigan have declared that railroads are amenable to State regulation as much as plank and gravel road companies, and that legislation has as much right to regulate their charges as to fix turnpike tolls or the charge of millers for grinding grain.

A lad in Illinois was amusing his brothers and sisters by twisting a towel around his neck, in imitation of hanging, when his feet slipped and he fell the length of the towel, which was firmly attached to a roller, breaking his neck instantly.

Speaking of the swiftness with which Susan B. Anthony flies from one lecture field to another, a Western paper remarks: "Men may come, and men may go; but this woman goes on forever."

An old man, living in the outskirts of Williamsburg, recently left his horse standing in a stable where the water ran in, till the horse froze his feet and legs and died.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICE.

F. M. BAKER, Palmer, Mass.
Baker's German Catarrh Snuff, so well known in this vicinity, can be obtained at the new drug store at the Post-Office.

Clark, the Jeweler, has some of the nicest and latest styles of Black Jewelry ever brought into this place. Call and see. 50 cts per set.

....The State Primary School contains 518 inmates, 467 of whom are children.

....Mr. Elias Turner on South Main street is again confined to his room by severe illness.

....Have you seen the new patent inkstand on sale at W. H. Clark's. It is novel and worth examining.

....F. H. Brown has bought the livery and feed stable of Geo. D. Aspinwall, and will continue the business.

....Harrington the ventriloquist visited Palmer, and performed at the Congregational vestry, Friday evening.

....In the District Court on the 23d inst., Walter Streeter of Bondville was fined \$12.75 for drunkenness. No cases this week.

....The Grange and the Good Templars both elected new officers on Thursday evening. The Grange has been running on double time for a few weeks past.

....Another rehearsal of the "old folks" singers is appointed for this Saturday evening, at the Cong. vestry at 7 o'clock, when all interested are invited to be present.

....The February number of that children's favorite, The Nursery, is received, and is as welcome as ever. For the very youngest readers this monthly is unrivaled.

....The long dark way under the railroad should be lighted up at night. It is really perilous for teams to go through, after dark, and no woman attempts the passage alone.

....The United States Tea Company are ready to supply pure teas at low prices through their agent in this place, Mr. J. H. Jenks, at the post-office drug store. Read their advertisement.

....Southbridge has followed the good example set by Palmer, and organized a Young People's Club, with our former town-woman, Mr. John M. Cochran as its first President.

....Some forty of the young friends of Miss Laura P. Blanchard paid her a surprise visit at Blanchardville on Thursday night, and passed the evening in the most social and agreeable manner.

....The Reform Club had a good audience Sunday evening, and added twenty or thirty names to their pledge. The next meeting will be on Monday evening, Feb. 2d, at the Cong. vestry.

....Charles A. Dewey of Monmouth, Ill., son of Capt. Dewey of this village, will arrive in town on Monday with a car load of western horses which he will have on sale at the Antique Horse stables.

....Dr. A. B. Cowan, has for the benefit of his health, given up his dental practice in this village after 17 years of successful business, and he can hereafter be found with Wood & Allen, druggists.

....Our shoe factory has changed hands, having been purchased by Mr. Geo. Robinson, who will hereafter manage it. Mr. Robinson has also bought a house on Pleasant street, east of the Cong. church.

....Sullivan, the man who jumped off from a train between Barre and Three Rivers last week Friday, wasn't hurt so much as was supposed, but he doesn't feel much like trying the experiment over again for fear he might not fare so well next time.

....The present discipline and instruction in our high school is said to be excellent, and the school is prospering in spite of the unfortunate affair at its commencement, and its principal deserves credit for his labors in bringing the school up to a higher standard.

....That Comical Brown always draws a full house and his audience Saturday night filled the Antique Hall to overflowing, being turned away for want of room. Messrs. Shaffer, Buxton and Hill who accompany him on this trip, played their parts well, and kept the audience in hearty good humor all the evening.

....The Literary Club organized by the young people had a good meeting Wednesday evening, with a full attendance, and interesting exercises, and they have another good program next Wednesday evening. At their meeting, Feb. 11th, among other exercises, will be a discussion of the question, "Resolved, That the co-education of the sexes is not expedient."

....Curiosity attracted a good many persons to Nassawanno Hall, Monday night, to see the wonderful spirit manifestations of Samoset and his medium, and some very good tricks were performed, but the operators were very careful not to allow a very close investigation. These are the same parties who have been so thoroughly exposed at Chatham, N. Y., Pittsfield and other places.

....The Amherst Record has a good deal of fault to find with the running of trains on the N. E. R. R. between Palmer and that place, and wants to have the present running time between the two places, (one hour and twenty-one minutes,) greatly reduced, complaining that it is unnecessarily slow. In each opinion, however, very few people want to ride over that road at a greater speed than they usually run.

....The Methodist festival at the Town Hall last week was a splendid success. The amount taken on the two evenings was \$200, of which \$55 went for expenses and the net balance \$225 goes toward paying the current expenses of the church, which we understand is nearly free from debt. The literary and musical entertainment on each night, is said to have been unusually good, for which much credit is due to H. N. Sedgwick, who had the matter in charge.

....Although we have no lock-up, still our town seems to have a good reputation abroad, for hospitality to vagrants, if we can judge by the testimony of a couple of tramps who stayed at the Chilcopee lock-up one night last week, and stated when leaving that they "would strike Palmer next night for they had heard that tramps were always treated well there, and didn't have to work for their lodging the next day." Very few persons have much of an idea how many tramps are thus accommodated at our poor farm.

....The new Gazetteer of Massachusetts, by Rev. Elias Nason, is just out, and is a very complete work of its kind. It opens with a very plain and handy map of the State, in which every town and county is seen. Then it takes every town alphabetically, gives its history in brief, and shows its population and prosperity at the present time. It also gives views of many prominent public buildings in the cities and towns. It is a valuable work to have in every family, store or workshop, and is sold in this vicinity by Chas. E. Walman, agent of Wesleyan Academy, who will call round with a copy in a few days. He may be addressed, Box 141, at Wilbraham.

MONSON.
Monson Grange, No. 11, have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: B. A. Day, Master; H. A. Rudge, Overseer; M. T. Wood, Lecturer; W. Leach, Steward; A. H. Tanner, Assistant Steward; Rev. E. Gullford, Chaplain; John A. Orcutt, Treasurer; A. A. Warriner, Secretary; O. L. Bradley, Gate-keeper; Mrs. E. M. Day, Ceres; Mrs. I. J. Warriner, Pomona; Mrs. L. M. Gullford, Flora; Mrs. R. B. Leach, Lady Assistant Steward.

ENFIELD.
The Congregational church at Enfield, held its annual meeting, Friday, and elected the following officers: Clerk, Augustus Moody; treasurer, W. B. Kimball; auditor, Jane E. Clark; standing committee, Rev. E. C. Ewing, Deacons H. Forbes, W. G. Moore, and A. Moody, Ezra Cary, Mrs. E. D. Woods, Miss Jane E. Clark, superintendent of the Sabbath School, R. Louis Thayer; assistant superintendent, Arthur J. N. Ward. The church has given during the year \$1490 to benevolent objects, has expended \$10,000 in repairs and improvements, and has nearly paid for a new \$2500 organ.

STATISTICS FOR 1873.
The vital statistics of the town of Palmer for the past year are as follows: Births 124 (males 78, females 46); marriages 51, deaths 78 (36 males and 42 females). The number of births and deaths was larger than in several previous years, while the number of marriages was smaller than common. The oldest couple married were respectively 65 and 40 years of age. The youngest husband was 21, the youngest bride 16. Rev. Father Lynch married 20 couple; Rev. Mr. Fullerton 9; R. R. Reddell 7; O. W. Adams 4; L. F. Richardson and Geo. E. Chapman 3 each; T. A. Leete 2; C. L. Gardner, Esq., 2, and J. G. Allen, Esq., 1. Of the deaths 18 were caused by consumption, 9 by typhoid fever, 6 by dysentery—these three being the prevalent diseases. The three oldest were Nancy Lathrop 91, Sylvanus Fuller 87, and Elisha Converse 80. Thirty-one were under 5 years of age.

BRIMFIELD.
The Brimfield Thier Detecting Society at their late annual meeting re-elected the following officers:—President, Amos Monroe; vice-president, Pliny F. Spaulding, James B. Brown; treasurer, James T. Brown; chairman of directors, Henry F. Brown; consequently the business will be done up "Brown." Kind and pacific feelings characterized the whole proceedings, which concluded with a story from "Uncle Amos."—Samuel B. Gould of Gouldville, the proprietor of the Palmer and Southbridge stage route, is doing a nice paying business, as he well deserves. The esteemed and ever obliging Walter Claffin engineers the ribbons. Let the wind blow its volumes of snow, forming drifts high or low, and for all this Walter is sure to go.

The tracks in the snow of the supposed "burglar" on Prospect Hill have disappeared.—The temperance ball is in motion. Messrs. Gullford and Newton of Monson first gave it impetus. Numerous lecturers have been engaged in its noble cause. No society has been formed, and the question is how to do it.

SILVER WEDDING.
Mr. James S. Loomis and wife received their friends on Friday evening of last week, it being the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. Their rooms were tastefully decked with wreaths of evergreen and flowers, and the cheerful glow which lit up their home made welcome and inviting the hundred guests who met to do them honor.

There were friends from the city and near—New Hampshire, Connecticut, and other distant places, and the warm congratulations with which they were greeted testified how sincerely they were respected, and how kindly they were remembered. The gifts were many, appropriate, useful and valuable. The ladies of this village gave a beautiful tea set of frosted silver; several gentlemen handed in an elegant French clock, cased in variegated marble, and surmounted with a bronze statuette; Mr. and Mrs. French brought a magnificent salad dish; Mr. and Mrs. Townsend of Springfield placed on their table a beautiful cake basket, and the gifts were so numerous that we cannot notice them all. Mrs. Loomis received from her brother at St. Louis a valuable gold watch and chain, and "Father Loomis," who is still as sprightly as a young man of thirty, put in his offering of \$100. The value of all is about \$600. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis were of course objects of special attention, and they were hearty in their welcome. They did not show the silver in their hair to correspond with that on their tables, but both appeared to have had it not been for a few who with pails maintained their position upon the roof in spite of the intense heat. The hose from the Otis Co.'s hydrant supplied the water, but was too far away to get force sufficient to throw a stream upon the building. Our fire engine was promptly on hand after the second barn was burned. The origin of the fire is not known.

THE FIRE.
Fire was discovered on Thursday evening about 7 o'clock in the barn of Wm. W. Barnes on West Main street, which, with its contents, consisting of two horses, a quantity of hay and grain, and some tobacco, was entirely destroyed. The fire soon communicated to the two barns adjoining, belonging to John Gould, which were also destroyed. Mr. Barnes was insured for \$1000 as follows: \$600 on the building, \$200 on hay and grain, and \$200 on tobacco. Mr. Gould was insured for \$2100—\$700 on tobacco barn, \$300 on small barn, and \$1100 on his tobacco, most of which was saved. The dwelling house of Mr. Gould was in great danger, and would undoubtedly have burned had it not been for a few who with pails maintained their position upon the roof in spite of the intense heat. The hose from the Otis Co.'s hydrant supplied the water, but was too far away to get force sufficient to throw a stream upon the building. Our fire engine was promptly on hand after the second barn was burned. The origin of the fire is not known.

A hand-sled with three boys on it dashed into the emigrant train from the Lower Dock Hill, on the Hudson River Railroad, at Sing Sing, Thursday night. One of the boys, a colored lad named Armstrong, had his brains dashed out. Another boy, named Rose, had his leg and collar-bone broken; and the third was severely though not fatally injured.

The Spanish man-of-war, the Arapiles is stuck, again. She thought that having got out of New York harbor, she was safe; but, in attempting to cross the bar of Sandy Hook, she plunged into the sand, and there she stands, like a painted ship upon a painted ocean.

The woman's temperance movement in Ohio still continues with surprising results. Meeting the spirit of drunkenness by the spirit of prayer is being proved an effective method of making war upon the evil of drunkenness and drinking.

Rev. S. T. Frost, pastor of the Baptist church at West Dedham, has been asked to resign, because of trouble growing out of his having reproved the young people of his charge for playing "kissing games" at a social party.

The beer trade has greatly revived in Springfield, and the breweries are running day and night.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....Rev. Mr. Allen of Westboro preached at the Unitarian church last Sabbath.

....Wm. T. Field, formerly of Ware, is now cashier of the Bank of Commerce, Utah.

....Ware River Railroad stock is advancing, the last sale being made in New York last week at 85.

....The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met at the residence of S. B. Boud on Wednesday evening.

....Dr. Estes of South Adams is soon to open a dental office in Ware—probably in Sandford's block.

....There will be a social dance at Mnsic Hall this (Friday) evening, music being furnished by Barnard's Quadrille Band.

....Rev. Mr. Atwell of Springfield has been invited to become rector of Trinity church at a salary of \$1100, and the parish now awaits his decision.

....Hon. Chas. A. Stevens was made president of the Worcester County Conference of Unitarian churches, at a meeting of that body held at Westboro last week.

....The statement made last week that Reuben Snow had disposed of his livery business to Daniel Emerson proves to be incorrect, the trade having fallen through.

....A musical festival under the direction of Solon Wilder is contemplated by the citizens of Warren, and the preliminary arrangements for the same are now being made.

....Charles W. Eaton, a highly respectable citizen of this town, died at his residence on Church street, early Wednesday morning, after a three days' illness. His age was 44 years.

....F. P. Clark, of the firm of Clark & Green, has leased the store formerly occupied by E. R. Sturtevant, though we are not informed as to the kind of merchandise to be sold over the counters.

....The dramatic entertainment given at Music Hall Saturday evening by the MaHale Guards of Southbridge was very generously patronized, and is reported to have been a fine exhibition of dramatic talent.

....Mr. John E. Ruggles, of the firm of Sroufe, Sweeney & Co., extensive provision dealers and commission merchants at San Francisco, Cal., is making a brief visit among friends in Ware and vicinity.

....The ladies of the Cong. society at Warren provided a turkey supper at the vestry on Thursday evening, the proceeds of the sale of tickets for the same being applied to the payment of a small debt for vestry improvements.

....An old folks' concert is contemplated by some of our musical people, and as we have had nothing of the kind for several years we trust the project may be successfully carried out, and that all singers will interest themselves in the movement.

....The Unitarian Social Club is the name of an organization formed at the residence of J. Tyler Stevens Monday evening. The following officers were elected: J. Tyler Stevens, president; Mrs. C. S. Robinson, vice-pres.; Miss A. E. Phelps, secy.; Chas. S. Robinson, treas.; directors, Miss Jennie Robinson, Miss J. M. Stevens, Edgar Bassett.

....Mr. George Rich and family were very agreeably surprised on Tuesday evening by a visit from about fifty of their neighbors and friends, who took this occasion to express their congratulations on the recovery by a fall some weeks since, of some of the ladies brought refreshments, which were duly served, and the entire evening was spent in the most social, agreeable manner possible. Such occasions are profitable as well as pleasant.

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Short Notes.

—The new Chief Justice will assume his duties about the first of March.

—Gotham is a wicked city, yet gave \$2,000,000 for charitable objects last year. "Charity covers a multitude of sins."

—The New York Graphic predicts an unprecedented speculation in real estate this spring as the result of the superabundance of money.

—The Walte family from which the Chief Justice descended were the first settlers of the town of Malden, Mass.

—The Siamese twins, like Cambysses, have "become merchandise," and are to be sold for \$10,000.

—Miss Collins of Moberly, Mo., has left her bed but once during thirty years and then she was frightened from it by a snake. They should cultivate snakes in Moberly, Mo.

—Dr. Dio. Lewis says four spoonfuls of water is sufficient for a bath.

—There are thirteen murderers in the New York Tombs awaiting trial. And yet Gotham is not wholly happy.

—A man has been fined 17.95 in Cambridge, for profanity. We are surprised that Cambridge people indulge in such expensive luxuries.

—A married woman in New York has been trying to raise a few thousand dollars by a breach of promise suit.

—The new Chief Justice is said to believe in woman suffrage, but he will probably expect the women to wait until the privilege is granted by law before they are allowed to vote.

—The New York Commercial Advertiser has been investigating the origin of the Grangers, and concludes that the first was Nebuchadnezzar.

—Dr. Warren B. Curtis has been acquitted at Wayne, Mich., of body-snatching for the Ann Arbor University.

—The Supreme Court of Indiana has decided that the law which required a man found guilty of drunkenness to tell where he got his liquor is unconstitutional.

—A Nebraska journal interestingly says: "Who says farmers cannot get rich in this State? Fifteen years ago a young man came to the State without a dollar in the world. Last week he went out of the State, carrying with him the sum of one dollar and thirty-eight cents, the savings of fifteen years of frugal life. Come West, young man, come West!"

—Some children in Indiana were lately excluded from a public school because they were one-sixteenth Indian, their great-grandfather being of Indian descent. The parents appealed, and it was decided that the children were in effect colored children, and could not be allowed to attend school with white children.

—A society has been formed in Chicago for the purpose of collecting and selling for waste paper "such bad books as the works of Voltaire, Rousseau, Diderot, and other detestable authors." The money thus raised goes to charitable objects.

—A white woman residing on Pacific street, San Francisco, married to a colored man, gave birth recently to twins, a boy and a girl. The boy is black as jet, but, on the compensation principle, the girl is white as a lily.

—An old seaman at a prayer meeting in relating his experience, stated that when at sea in storms and tempests he often derived great comfort from that beautiful passage of scripture, "Faint heart never won fair lady."

—An indignant matron winds up a philippic against sleeping cars with the clinching accusation that the system forces young girls to become "familiarized with that unattractive object, a sleepy and unwashed man."

—Kentucky is in sad need of a thorough-going hard-working, laboring element. She has many uncultivated fields, her forests are extensive, and her immense mineral resources are almost entirely undeveloped.

—Springfield is meditating economical plans, and the chairman of the committee on salaries thinks that \$1200 is quite enough pay for a chief fire engineer, and that a policeman ought to be happy on \$300.

—A starving woman and five children were found in a house in Jersey city. The mother told the officer that she had thought of killing one of the children to furnish food for the others.

—Chief Constable Boynton has issued an order to the heads of the departments in the several counties, towns and cities in the State to enforce the liquor law vigorously and impartially.

—The Public Ledger Almanac of Philadelphia for 1874, states that William of Oregon is Chief Justice, and Bristowe of Kentucky attorney-general of the United States.

—Let that man, be thankful who has steady employment, at anything like reasonable wages, at the present time. Thousands there are who can find nothing to do.

—There are said to be 50,000 children in New York under the age of 15 years who are employed at labor which deprives them of any educational advantages.

—Gov. Woods of Utah says there is no one in that territory authorized by law to unite persons in wedlock.

—Lawyers think the Grange movement a humbug, as it aims at settling disputes without recourse to law.

THE BOSTON ALMANAC.—We have received from the publishers a copy of this valuable book of reference for 1874. It contains a complete directory of Boston, embracing the former city of Charlestown, and towns of West Roxbury and Brighton; a general register of United States, State, county and city officers, courts, schools, &c. Also, a directory of streets, courts, &c., within the city limits of Boston; being a thorough and reliable guide to all public matters of interest connected with the city. Also, a chronicle of events of the past year, and an almanac and memoranda. A new map of Boston and vicinity (27x32 inches) will be sent free of cost to each purchaser of the book. Price \$1.00. Sampson, Davenport & Co., publishers, Boston.

There is great rejoicing in Russia and Great Britain over the marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh with the Grand Duchess Maria, only daughter of the Czar. The event occurred Friday afternoon. Maria has been a good girl, and deserves a good husband.

A female somnambulist was met in Lafayette Ind., before daybreak, one recent morning, gracefully attired in her night-gown, and carrying a candle-stick. A gentleman addressed her, whereupon she awoke, dropped the candle-stick and fled.

A little two-years-old daughter of Mrs. Esther Turner of Pittsfield was so badly scalded the other day, by receiving on the lower part of her body the contents of a tea-pot, that she died from the burns and shock in 24 hours.

American ladies who have recently returned from Paris wear in their bonnets a long feather of four or five different and distinct colors. They say this feather is all the rage in the French Capital.

Somebody imperilled the lives of Mortimer Montgomery and his wife and three children, at South Adams, Friday, by throwing poison into the family water-pail. The doctors saved them.

Yussup Khan, a Persian statesman of learning and ability, has been executed by order of the Shah for embezzling a large sum of money entrusted to him as agent for the Government.

A child in Emmetsburg, Md., only two years old, shot itself through the heart, Monday, with a pistol which had been carelessly left on a box within its reach.

The State Alliance commends Gov. Washburn's address on the liquor question, and think the press helps the cause more than public speaking.

California lions are inconveniently plenty in the Berryessa valleys and hills. They make light of such trifles as young colts, calves and lambs.

At the great fire in Yeddo, Japan, in December, one merchant lost one hundred thousand bales of silk, valued at one and a half million dollars.

A girl of 14, in Brooklyn, Iowa, has sued a boy of 16 for breach of promise of marriage. Is there no peace even for the children?

A Philadelphia gentleman advertises a soap that is destined to wipe out the National debt. There is probably some "lye" about it.

A man out West who has married and buried three sisters, now comes up stalling at the altar, having begun on a new family.

The rarest thing in the world is a man who gets an office without working very hard for it. Chief Justice Waite is a rarity.

Free lodging rooms for respectable poor men—unemployed clerks and the like—is one of the newest charities in New York.

The Chelsea people are knocking at the door of Boston and want to be admitted into the hub, like the rest of the fellows.

Sibley's woolen mills at Warren have been run on full time during the last fortnight, for the first time since the Boston fire.

It is claimed that the sword carried by Lord Byron in the Greek war is in the possession of a lady in Chicago.

"FIVE MINUTES FOR REPRESENTATION."—Everybody who has traveled by railroad has heard the above announcement, and has probably suffered from eating too hastily, thereby sowing the seed of dyspepsia. It is a comfort to know that the Peruvian Syrup will cure the worst cases of dyspepsia, as thousands are ready to testify.

A RED-HEART.—The Northern Christian Advocate says: "The sermons of T. De Witt Talmage are the product of strong thought, a red-hot heart, a tremendous earnestness." Mr. Talmage has recently become editor of the Christian at Work, a first-class sixteen-page family and religious journal, published at 102 Chambers street, New York. C. H. Sprague is its special London contributor. Sample copies mailed free. See their advertisement.

DINNER AND TEA SETS.—We would again refer to the advertisement of Richard Briggs, 137 Washington street, Boston, which appears in our columns this week. This house was established in 1796, and has a world-wide reputation. Mr. Briggs has, in conformity to the custom adopted by other branches of business, marked down his entire stock of decorated dinner and tea sets, and gives the public the benefit of his taste and judgment in selecting, as well as his special facilities for purchasing, as no orders direct from the manufacturers of Europe. This unusual opportunity will only continue until the 1st of February, and we advise all our readers to avail themselves of it without delay.

CANVASSERS WANTED.—Canvassers wanted for T. De Witt Talmage's family and religious paper, The Christian at Work. C. H. Sprague special contributor. Sample copies and terms sent free. Office 102 Chambers street, New York. See their advertisement.

EXTRA INDUCEMENTS! In order to give our patrons the opportunity of obtaining any of the leading magazines or periodicals, in connection with either of our papers, we have arranged the following

CLUB LIST. We will furnish the PALMER JOURNAL or WARE STANDARD one year, together with

Waverly Magazine,	price \$5.00,	7.00
The Aids,	5.50,	6.50
(With two fine Chromos.)		
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Basar,	4.00,	5.00
Galaxy,	4.00,	5.00
Smith's Monthly,	4.00,	5.00
Hearth and Home,	3.50,	4.50
New York Independent,	3.00,	4.00
(New subscribers only.)		
Golden Age, (with premiums.)	3.00,	4.00
Philosophical Journal,	3.00,	4.00
(With premium.)		
Scientific American,	3.00,	4.25
St. Nicholas,	3.00,	4.00
Peter's Musical Monthly,	2.00,	3.75
Oliver Optic's Magazine,	2.00,	3.00
With premium picture,	2.00,	4.25
American Artisan,	3.00,	4.00
Pomeroy's Democrat,	2.00,	3.25
Pease's Magazine,	2.00,	3.00
Science of Health,	2.00,	3.00
Manufacturer and Builder,	2.00,	3.00
Woodward's Household Magazine,	1.50,	2.50
With chromo.	1.50,	2.75
American Agriculturist,	1.50,	2.75
(With mounted chromo.)		
The Farmer,	1.50,	2.75

To the person sending us four new subscribers, with the money, we will furnish the elegant chromo of Fruit Piece, or Cross and Flowers, and for six months we will furnish both, worth \$5.00. Almost any other American magazine or periodical supplied on equally favorable terms. Subscriptions at these rates should be for one year, but may be for six months.

G. M. FISK & CO.
Palmer, Dec. 13, 1873.

Piles, Piles, Piles, Piles.—Outward applications are time and money thrown away. The permanent cure is Dr. Harrison's Peristaltic Lozenges. They strike at the cause. We could fill this paper with cures. They are pleasant, give no pain, nor do all pills, do they require increase of dose. For elderly persons, females and children, and all others, they are exactly suited to obviate Constipation, the prolific cause of all ailments. Trial box, 30 cts. Large box, 60 cts., and mailed free for this last named price.

DR. HARRISON'S LOZENGES. A splendid cure for constipation, hemorrhoids, and all throat and lung complaints. For sale by E. S. HARRISON & CO., Proprietors, No. 1 Tremont Temple, Boston, and by all druggists.

Peabody Medical Institute, No. 4 Bulfinch Street, Boston.—When a thing is counterfeited, it is a proof of its excellence and popularity. The Peabody Medical Institute is a case in point. Founded in good faith many years ago, and the only establishment of the kind in the country, its success and ever-increasing popularity finally caused the name (Medical Institute) to be pirated and adopted by a lot of infamous quacks, empirics and pretenders, who have been endeavoring to create the public by selling under a stolen name. The founder of the Peabody Medical Institute can in no way be held responsible for this misuse of the name of a reputable and well-known curative establishment and legitimate medical institution which has been from the start specially devoted to the treatment of nervous derangements and diseases of the Nervous System, which have almost a world-wide circulation and popularity. These publications sufficiently attest the high character of the institution under the name of Peabody Medical Institute, who have stolen its name to cover their nefarious practices are getting their deserts in the penal institutions of the Commonwealth.—Boston Herald.

At Palmer, 22d, by Rev. O. W. Adams, ORCUTT A. MOFFATT and STELLA M. CONVERSE, both of Monson.

At Wares, 25th, by Rev. J. F. Bassett, C. M. CLARK and ELBA E. SCRANTON, all of Wales.

DIED.

At Palmer, 26th, TIMOTHY FOLEY, 32, at Monson, 26th, JOHN AHERN, 68.

At Wares, 27th, HIRAM W. LEONARD, 68; 28th, C. W. EATON, 44.

At Thorndike, 26th, HANNAH MORRIS, 2 years.

At Three Rivers, 26th, GEORGE B. FLETCHER, 33.

At Stafford, 26th, CORNELIUS SULLIVAN, 65.

PATRICK DONAHUE, 44; MOSES B. HARVEY, 65.

At Belchertown, 26th, PATTY C. WILLIS, 68.

At Belchertown, 26th, ADRIAN L. BLAIR, 9.

At Belchertown, 26th, suddenly, WELLS STANDLEY, 75, father of Mrs. G. C. Holden of Wares.

LOST! A BUNCH OF KEYS! Of no value except to the owner. Among them was a key to a Yale lock. Any person returning the same to the JOURNAL office will be liberally rewarded. E. S. E.

FOR SALE—COTTAGE HOUSE, 49 SOUTH MAIN ST., PALMER, MASS. House contains 13 rooms, pantries, closets. Barn and sheds attached, all in good repair. Large garden. Inquire on the premises of SETH M. SMITH.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—HAMPDEN, ss.—January 26, A.D. 1874. By virtue of an execution which is issued on a judgment in favor of the PALMER SAVINGS BANK, a corporation duly established by law and doing business in Palmer, in said county at the last term of the Superior Court for said county held for civil business, I have taken the right in equity that PETER FURLEY, late of said Palmer, now of parts unknown had on the tenth day of February, 1873, to redeem two certain parcels of real estate lying in said Palmer, that the day upon which the same were attached on mesne process. The first tract is situated on the northern side of the road leading from the village of Thorndike to Three Rivers in said village of Thorndike, and is bounded southerly by said road, westerly by land of William Hastings, northerly by land of E. G. Murdock, and easterly by land occupied by Thomas V. Kent, and being the same premises described in a mortgage deed from said Furley to E. G. Murdock, recorded in said registry of deeds for said county, book 292, page 470, to secure twelve hundred dollars and interest and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. The second tract is bounded northerly and westerly on road leading from the house of Widow Burleigh to Palmer Centre, southerly by land of Michael Connor and land formerly of said Furley, containing about 9 acres, and being the same described in mortgage deed from said Furley to Marshall Fox, recorded in said registry of deeds book 283, page 469, to secure three hundred and fifty dollars and interest, and said premises are subject to said mortgage deed. And on Saturday, the 26th day of February next, at 10 o'clock, p. m., on said first described tract, I shall offer for sale by public auction to the highest bidder said right of equity in redemption to satisfy said execution and all charges of sale.

GEORGE W. RANDALL, Deputy Sheriff.

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PURE TEAS AT LOWER PRICES Than it is possible with parties whose Teas have paid a half dozen profits or commissions before reaching the retailer. REMEMBER! These Teas being bought direct, are free from those poisonous adulterations that give your Tea the right color and the wrong unsatisfactory taste. All who have tried them are delighted! THEY ARE CHEAPER AND BETTER! J. H. JENKS, P. O. Drug Store. Palmer, Jan. 28, 1874.

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MANY, NO DOUBT, HAVE SEEN JOB LOTS ADVERTISED AND DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS MEANT BY THEM. AND HAVE BEEN STILL MORE CONFUSED WHEN THOSE WHOSE INTEREST IT IS TO MISREPRESENT US AND MISLEAD THEM HAVE TOLD THEM THEY WERE OLD STYLE, SHOP-WORN OR UNDESIRABLE GOODS.

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THE SPRINGFIELD ART UNION. Take pleasure in announcing that the drawing for their "ART UNION" will, in all probability, take place on or about

THE 22D OF THIS MONTH, and people who have not purchased their tickets had better do so at once in order to obtain them.

TICKETS ARE \$3.00 EACH. Each ticket secures a picture worth from ONE TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE. The entire collection can be seen at our "Art Gallery" 703 BROADWAY, N. Y.

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G. W. BURDICK, EDWARD FITZGERALD, Monson, Jan. 1, 1874.

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Old Dr. THOMAS' ALMANAC for 1874. SEWING MACHINE NEEDLES & OIL. CHOICE CONFECTIONERY & FRUIT for the Holidays.

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GEORGE ROBINSON. Palmer, Dec. 15, 1873.

SCRIBNER FOR 1874. THE UNEXAMPLED FAVOR ACCORDED TO THIS MAGAZINE by the public, enables us to enter upon the coming year with the means of making it more attractive and valuable than ever before to its large and increasing number of readers on both sides of the Atlantic. The scribner of the year, KATHERINE EARLE, by Mrs. THOMPSON, is a charming Love Story by a gifted writer, which is destined to a wide popularity. There will be also, in the new series, the BEST SHORT STORIES, by SAGE HOLM, BRET HARTE, and other delightful story-tellers.

A series of striking and unique POEMS, with illustrations, "OLD TIME MUSIC," by Benj. F. Taylor, known for his brilliant contributions to the Western Press, will sing to us again the music of the Spinning Wheel, The Flash, The Stage Coach, The Mill, etc.

Portraits and biographical sketches of American authors; papers on dairy farming and stock raising in Europe, on household decoration and furniture, besides more than fifty other illustrated articles are now in preparation.

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The Journal.

SATURDAY, FEB. 7, 1874.

The Legislature is pegging away at the district courts again. Who is troubled with their infliction of justice now?

ICE weather—that of last Sunday and Monday. The thermometer struck 12 below zero, and there is where the ice comes in.

CALEB CUSHING will sail for Madrid on the 22d of this month. He is going to leave a rod in pickle for some of the senators who voted against confirming him as Chief Justice.

KALLOCH, of Boston notoriety, has gone to preaching again, having been called to the Baptist church in Leavenworth, Kan., thus verifying that sacred stanza of Dr. Watts—"The vilest sinner may return."

THAT new court-house at Springfield still waits for dedication. The gingerbread work is not all in, and the lawyers are smothering their eloquence till the great hall of justice and folly shall be opened.

THE State constables do things up brown down in Fall River. One of them confesses that he seized a lot of decanters and then sold them back to the proprietor, pocketing the proceeds. Yet this is a most admirable law.

THE State Constables of Boston got waked up the other day and visited the Tremont House, Young's Hotel and the Sherman House, securing about \$5000 worth of liquor. But why have they never visited these houses before?

As if the experience of Massachusetts had not been enough, a movement has now been made in favor of having a State police in Vermont. It starts with a Temperance convention in Franklin county, and is endorsed by some Republican papers.

THE Boston people are congratulating themselves on the advantages which that city possesses, and think the towns who get annexed are greatly benefitted. Hadn't the Legislature better annex all the towns in the State, and see if the greedy maw of the Hub will be satisfied?

NANTUCKET has about given out. Its prosperity is gone, and it remains an Isle of the Sea inviting only to summer visitors. Years ago it was the great whaling port of this country, but it has recently sold its last whaling vessel, and will no longer furnish light to the world or lubricate the wheels of business.

Is our peace policy with the Indians to be given up? Gen. Sherman says the soldiers are charitable enough to the red skins, and wants the Indian matters turned over to the military. Perhaps he will convince the Government that it is cheaper to support an army to fight the Indians than a few Broadbribs to treat with them.

DRY goods jobbers are discussing the question whether it pays to employ drummers, and some of them have decided to return to the old system. The drummers, however, have a strong hold on the jobbers and it will be hard choking them off. Country hotels would starve in some places if it were not for these traveling salesmen.

SIAMSE TWINS are at a premium, especially dead ones. The twins having made a fortune by exhibiting themselves alive, their wives and children, with an eye to money-making, offer their bodies for \$10,000. Doctors from Philadelphia and New York have gone to Mount Airy to investigate the defunct twins, and in due time we shall hear all about the strange malformation. If somebody would only get up another pair for exhibition the world would not be without its wonder.

THE expulsion of women from the school board of Boston by other members of that board was such a high-handed assumption of authority that it is awakening the whole State to the injustice of the act, and the result will be found in the election of more women on school committees at the next annual elections. Suppose a majority of the committee had been women and had voted the men out, what a pow-wow there would have been. Meetings have already been held in Boston to express indignation at the treatment these women have received, and the Legislature will be agitated with the question. So shall good come out of evil, and justice be heard calling her oppressors to an account.

THE rank injustice of our laws is illustrated in the case of Barney Kenney of Braintree, who, after having been imprisoned more than nine months in the House of Correction, on a charge of housebreaking, was recently found to be entirely innocent. He has suffered the disgrace of imprisonment, and loss of time, and his family may have been sent to the poor house for ought we know, yet he has no redress or compensation. If one man kidnap another, shut him up or deprive him of his earnings, the sufferer can recover damages; but this kind of lawful injustice can be inflicted by our courts and there is no remedy. If some of our lawmakers who are spreading themselves before mahogany desks in the State House would provide some remedy for cases like this, they would do something that would entitle them to the gratitude of such unfortunate fellows as Barney Kenney, if from no one else.

THE county commissioners have given their decision concerning the Main and Chestnut street crossings at Springfield. They order the Boston & Albany railroad track to be raised 10 feet above its present level at the Main street crossing, and the street to be depressed five feet, the excavation tapering off 50 feet each side of the bridge. The Chestnut street crossing is ordered to be raised two feet, and the highway to be sunk twelve and a half feet. The bridges are to have raised sides so that the cars cannot be seen from the street, and to be deadened by sand. This change would necessitate the removal of the depot to the east side of Main street, and if the B. & A. railroad folks should take a notion to carry it east as far as Chestnut street there would be a terrible uproar raised by property owners on Main street, who would be willing to have the street lowered five feet more if the depot could be kept where it is. The requirement is unreasonable, and will prove an expensive thing for the Connecticut River and Southern roads. They have got to have a separate station, which would greatly inconvenience the public, or be at an enormous expense at filling to raise the grade of their roads to correspond with the Boston & Albany road. This decision of the commissioners is not conclusive. The railroad companies can appeal to the Legislature, and they will undoubtedly do so.

THE clergy are beginning to stir round in opposition to the proposed taxation of property belonging to religious institutions. The Baptist ministers held a meeting in Tremont Temple the other day and talked the matter over. The arguments advanced were that the church was a helper of the Government, inasmuch as it instructed the people in good morals, and sustained the State. One minister was intolerant enough to except Catholic churches, which he would have taxed, because they were subversive of the Government. Rev. Mr. Miner asked what they would do with stock company churches where men put their money as a good investment, but never went there. The Park street church was instance, where men bought shares because they paid good interest, but went to other places to worship. He thought if a popular preacher should be employed in a Club House that property should be taxed. It would be well to tax all church property above a certain amount. The argument that the church confers a benefit on the State is applicable to newspapers in a larger degree, but nobody thinks of exempting them from taxation.

HAVING seen the failure of our prohibitory and constabulary laws in the suppression of the sale of liquor, a party of ministers and others, headed by Dr. Dio Lewis of Boston, have inaugurated a plan for cleaning out the rum holes of the State by means of prayer, something after the Ohio plan. These men, who are to be joined by women, are to commence operations in Worcester. They will visit every bar room and beer shop and set up a prayer meeting, keeping at it till the spirit of evil is driven out and the keeper is forced to give up his traffic. After converting the Worcester rum-sellers they will attack other places, and by increasing the number of praying bands they hope soon to stop the liquor traffic from Cape Cod to Berkshire. We can only pray that they may succeed, but the State constables will not pray in that direction.

Is Saratoga the bad place the Amherst college boys picture it? They say to go there and row would be "disgraceful and unworthy of them." Poor boys! Hundreds of ministers, professors and respectable men go to Saratoga every summer, without feeling it "disgraceful" to do so, and we remember that Dr. Wall, one of the faculty of Amherst, used to visit there every summer and write back to this paper of its excellencies. No doubt there is a great deal of sin there, but we'll venture the assertion that Amherst can beat Saratoga in "deviltry," two to one. We are glad, however, that Amherst students set up such a high standard of morality, and hope they will live up to it.

It's a dangerous thing to be taken suddenly sick in New York, unless you have plenty of friends and money. A Bahama planter was unfortunate in this respect, and was carted to the hospital at Blackwell's Island, and when he died his body was thrown into a trench with 600 others. Afterwards, when his friends came to look him up, and it was ascertained that he was a wealthy man, the New York aldermen began to look into the inhumanities of the charity hospital, and now conclude that it is far from being what it should be.

DR. LORING made an eloquent plunge in the Senate the other day in favor of erasing from the records the vote of censure against Charles Sumner, and we notice that 3000 copies of his speech have been ordered printed. We cannot see as the speech was of any use inasmuch as the Legislature is bound to expunge the censure vote anyway.

MASSACHUSETTS PRESS ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Association is to be held at the American House, Boston, on the 17th inst. The business meeting for the choice of officers, &c., will be at 1.30 P. M., and at 4 P. M. there will be a banquet with speeches, poems music &c.

BOYD ROBBERY.—The cashier of the first national bank of Concordville, Pa., was assaulted Sunday evening, while at work in the bank, by two masked men, who gagged him, and then robbed the bank of \$14,000 in United States bonds.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....The reported suicide at Three Rivers last Saturday was a hoax.

....The postal service on the Ware River R. R. was opened on Tuesday with William C. Hitchcock, as route agent.

....Another social dance will be held at the Nassawanno House next Thursday evening, 12th inst., with T. A. Holland as promoter.

....G. M. Risk of Palmer, having resigned his place as Inspector of the State Primary School, E. V. B. Holcomb of Chilmark has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

....Mrs. William Merriam, formerly of this village, and well known to our readers, has commenced the manufacture and sale of a cough syrup, which is advertised in our columns this week. Try it.

....The epidemic of gold watch presentations has spread from wives to fathers, and the latest instance is the gift of a fine time-keeper from H. H. Perry, the carpenter, to his son H. A. Perry, a few days ago.

....Morton's panorama and troupe gave an exhibition and performance at the Congregational Society on Wednesday evening, to a moderate-sized audience. The pictures are all new and fresh, 60 in number, and as large in size as could be got into the hall.

....Harrington, the ventriloquist and magician, gave a very pleasant entertainment in this village last week Friday evening, assisted by Watson and his son Willie. This is the professor's 47th year of travel, and he still draws good houses.

....The lightning express for New York, Friday morning, was thrown from the track, just this side of Warren, all except the engine and baggage car leaving the track. The trees on the bank prevented the cars from going down into the river, and no one was injured.

....The Temperance Reform Club has now about 100 names on its pledge-book, and proposes soon to have lectures from abroad, and a committee was appointed Monday evening to solicit funds to defray the expenses of such speakers, and the small current expenses of the club.

....A party of young people from this village went to North Brookfield, Tuesday evening to witness the drama "Among the Breakers," which was advertised for the town hall that evening, but were greatly vexed to find the play postponed, on account of the sickness of one of the actors.

....The Young People's Club have a very attractive program for their meeting next Wednesday evening, and the exercises will be enlivened by music from the new piano just put into their rooms. A debate will be had on the question, "Resolved, That the co-education of the sexes is inexpedient."

....A moot court was held in Academy Hall, Monson, on Monday evening, for the benefit of the Lincolnton Society. The case on trial was for breach of promise: Jennie L. Brown vs Henry Jones. The counsel for defendant was Fred Allen of this village, and for plaintiff, A. R. Barker. At the conclusion, the jury disagreed, 7 being for the defendant and 6 for plaintiff.

....Next week Saturday belongs to Saint Valentine, and the mails will then be crowded with tokens of love and hate, for full as many "comic" valentines are sent by mail as love letters, and many faces will grow dark and clouded, and many fists clenched in anger as these spiteful missives are opened. Everybody rejoices that this custom is becoming less general each year.

....Mrs. Crawford, a well-known music teacher of Springfield, has leased the rooms and piano of the Young People's Literary Club in Commercial block. She will visit Palmer every Friday afternoon to give music lessons, and there is a chance for any who wish to take lessons to join the class. Pupils wishing to use a piano for practice can do so at a very low rate, at the rooms of the club.

....Whatever is said about the use of tobacco, the abuse of it is certainly deprecated by every decent man or woman, when the price thereof is "expectorated" in great floods over the floor of a church vestry, as was done at the performance of Prof. Harrington the other evening, by men and boys who are old enough to have some sense of decency in them. The church committee has taken it upon them to have a continued special police will be appointed to look after the offenders.

....Albert Dorman, of wheelbarrow notoriety, had another unpleasant affair Wednesday night, when he was returning from Monson with a load of 125 lbs. of fish, belonging to Alva Thayer, when he was assaulted by two men, Marvin and Fred Reynolds, who left their own team, and taking the fish cart away from Dorman drove off with it by back roads toward Brimfield, but were overtaken and returned to Palmer.

On Thursday they were brought before Judge Allen, who bound them over to the May term of the Superior Court, in the sum of \$700 for Marvin and \$1000 for Fred. The former found bail and the latter went to jail.

....People hereabouts will recognize in the following from the Springfield Union, a church and its malcontents in this vicinity. The letter referred to comes back to plague the writer, and create a smile among the members of the distant church churches over the letter as he shows it to one and another, and wonders if it gives the correct measure of a Hampden county Christian, and all agree with him in thinking that it justifies the new pastor in accepting their call.

LUDLOW.—The Methodist society at Ludlow held a pleasant festival at their church on Thursday and Friday evenings.

WALKS.—The latest social dance in Wales was at the house of Mrs. Perkins on Friday evening of this week with music by Richardson's band of Worcester, and a good time they had too.

THREE RIVERS.—A new store is to be opened in Dr. Ruggles' building, near the bridge, on the 1st of March, and it will be managed by the new firm of Holden Bros.—Charles and Daniel—who will keep a good stock of dry goods and groceries, and be a branch of the Palmer store of H. F. & J. S. Holden.

BRIMFIELD.

The temperance people have organized a society, and chosen for president E. W. Norwood, for vice president W. H. Sherman. Great interest is manifested. The pledge includes cider, beer, &c. Many and arduous have been the labors performed for the reformation of some few, that "believe in cider" and will not be persuaded otherwise. All the eloquence and sound logical reasoning of such men as Newton, Richardson, Jewett and others, has no impression upon their adamant hearts. Therefore we will add, "They are joined to their idols; let them alone."

WARREN.—Warren has been unusually lively this winter, as the numerous parties, balls, and socials would indicate. The second in the series of six dances came off last evening. The ice-houses of the Boston mill company are being filled. "Knowles" cotton mills have commenced running on full time once more. The Young People's Dramatic Club are rehearsing "Uncle Tom's Cabin" for presentation at an early day.

THORNDIKE.—The Congregational Society of this village have voted to hold a festival, together with an "old folks" concert, under the lead of C. H. Brakenridge of Palmer, on the evenings of the 25th and 26th of February. The funeral of Calvin W. Hastings, one of our respected citizens, was largely attended on Wednesday, and he was buried with Masonic honors, about 70 members of Thomas Lodge being in attendance. Rev. Mr. Adams made a comforting address to the friends and fraternity in attendance. A. M. Bond, our timmer, gives up business the coming spring. This will be a fine chance for some man to step into a good thing.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.—The praying band from Springfield commenced a series of meetings at the M. E. church last Saturday evening. Sunday they conducted the services in the church, which was praying, singing and exhortations. Sunday evening it was much the same, with strong and urgent persuasions to come to the altar for prayers, and quite a number did so. One of the band is still here, holding meetings "every night." Many seem anxious, while some are hoping. Dea. Dues, from the Catholic church, visited himself at the altar, Monday evening, and made a few remarks, which have been variously interpreted and occasioned for. He attempted to speak again Wednesday evening but was silenced by the preacher. Rev. Dr. Cook of the Academy preached at the Cong. church last Sabbath to a thin house, occasioned by the Praying Band's presence in town and the misunderstanding of the pulpit being supplied at all. H. P. Simonds got his thumb badly cut in shoeing a refractory colt a few days since. Some are filling their ice-houses, but the ice is not thick; others prefer to wait and take the risk. Tobacco buyers are few and far between, which makes those who have not sold look down-cast.

MONSON.—Green's Hall is pretty well occupied there being not less than three different secret societies occupying as many different rooms, the A. O. H. occupying the Northeast room, formerly the selectmen's room; the A. O. Society occupying the room opposite, and the Patrons of Husbandry having a nicely fitted hall in the third story. Although there was some talk of organizing a "Sovereign of Industry" society, the matter will be postponed for a while at least, as the Patrons are in a very prosperous condition, and the aims and objects being almost identical, it is thought that one organization would be preferable to two weak ones. If business ever was lively at the straw shop it is about these days, and the prospects for spring trade were never more encouraging than at this season. E. E. Towne has bargained his store of goods to parties out of town, who will take possession March 1st. Messrs. Rogers and Harvey have received more than an expected share of patronage in their meat business, and know how to serve their customers. There has been but little doing in real estate as yet, but several changes are talked of, and about next month, plans for the season will be more fully matured. John A. Orcutt is building a new house for Michael Manney on the new cemetery road. Henry W. Chapin continues business at the old stand of Chapin Bros. Hubbard H. Risley has exchanged his Colton Hollow saw-mill and dwelling house for a two tenement house in West Springfield.

WARE AND VICINITY.—Fred. D. Gilmore has been commissioned a Justice of the Peace.

....John H. Storrs has sold the Peabody's farm to Nelson Goodrich for \$2000.

....Rev. A. J. Rich preached at the Unitarian church last Sabbath afternoon. No service in the evening.

....There are six houses in Ware unoccupied on the road leading from Ware Town to Greenwich—a distance of two miles.

....Barnard's band of this town will furnish music at the neck-tie ball, to be held in Pickering Hall, Three Rivers, Monday evening, 16th inst.

....Thomas Kendrick, for the past three years proprietor of the hotel at New Braintree, has leased the Ware Hotel, and will take possession March 1st.

....A sleigh-bird party of six couple from Spencer visited the Hampshire House Thursday afternoon, enjoying the hospitalities of Landlord Snow.

....A customer at one of our grocery stores inquired a few days since "for an empty barrel of flour to make a hen-coop for his dog." This was getting things a little mixed.

....Our citizens are contributing liberally toward the purchase of new books for the public library, which is under the skillful management of the Young Men's Library Association.

....Frank P. Clark is soon to open a dry goods and grocery store in Storrs' block, opposite the bank. The basement will be used by E. R. Sturtevant as a meat market, with an entrance on Main street.

....A prominent and respected citizen of Ware was recently called upon by a canvasser, and solicited to subscribe for the Christian Union. "No, thank you," replied he, "I take the Ware Standard."

....The trial of Dr. John Yale before Justice Richards, Friday afternoon, on the charge of selling liquor contrary to law, resulted in his acquittal. Samuel T. Spaulding of Northampton managed the case for the defendant.

....The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met at the Hampshire House on Thursday afternoon for present winter in caring

for the destitute in our community, especially in the matter of clothing.

....The postal clerk on the Ware River Railroad assumed his new duties on Tuesday last. Our New York and western mail now arrives on the 3.48 p. m. train, and letters for Boston leave here at the same hour going north via Winchendon.

....Hubert M. Coney is travelling salesman for a silk establishment in New York, and has already entered upon his new sphere of action. He still retains his fire insurance agency, but not that of the Manhattan life insurance company, of which he has been a general agent.

....Rev. P. J. Rogers, pastor of the Catholic church at Brighton, lectured to an audience of four or five hundred at St. Williams church on Tuesday evening. Subject: "Ireland's faith." The proceeds of the lecture will be used for the benefit of the new church at Brighton.

....The soap and candle factory of G. V. Jacobs & Co. was destroyed by fire about 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, together with the contents. The building was owned by W. C. Sheldon. Total insurance on factory, stock and fixtures \$2000. The fire is not supposed to have been the work of an incendiary, as most of our fires are apt to be, but was probably the result of excessive heat about the stove or kettle.

....How two poor factory girls in Ware forty years ago succeeded in their after life: Catherine and Eliza S., with their widowed mother, lived in the tenement block where the Hampshire House now stands, in the end tenement toward the bank. Catherine married a lawyer by the name of Howard, who afterwards became Senator Howard from Michigan. A part of the courtship was said to have been done across Bank street, from the second story chamber window of the tenement to the opposite window in the bank, where young Howard was studying law in an office that is now the savings bank. Eliza married into the Harris family of Boston, and is heir apparent to an immense wealth. Both sisters worked in the factory, educated themselves, and were much esteemed by all the community.

A VAST FORTUNE.—William T. Lawrence of Lansingburgh, N. Y., and others of the same name in this country have great expectations from vast estates in England. The sum that has been awaiting their appearance, this century and a half, now amounts to a half-billion of dollars, and was left by Lord Effingham, through whose wife it was transmitted to the Lawrences. The present claimants trace their ancestry back to Effingham's wife through Jonathan Lawrence, formerly of Walpole in this State, whose parents came from England in 1713. Excellent counsel have been retained by the heirs, and the evidence is considered perfect. The Lawrences of Palmer claim to be able to trace their ancestry back to this same family, and perhaps they may wake up some morning and find themselves rolling in wealth, but then it is pretty hard to lay hands on such a fortune even after their claim has been proved, therefore they will continue their usual business until further notice.

DROWNED HERSELF.—Miss Gertrude Rogers, who has been teaching school in Van Deusenville (Great Barrington) this winter, committed suicide Thursday night by drowning herself in a pond, leaving her hat and shawl on the bank and a note saying she was tired of life. For some days previous she had complained of her head, and it is supposed she was insane. She was a daughter of Jacob Rogers of Curtisville (Stockbridge) and was twenty years of age.

A man was arrested at Montreal a few days ago for stealing. He declares that he has not washed for seven years, and his appearance confirmed his words. It is to be hoped that the severity of his punishment for theft may be tempered by the luxury of a bath.

Twenty-five years ago there was not a furnace in use in Boston, and it took forty cords of wood to carry a wealthy family through the year. The Massachusetts Senate was first heated by a furnace in 1849 and the house did not enjoy that luxury till two years later.

The Greenfield, Deerfield and Northfield grangers of the Patrons of Husbandry have joined in the enterprise of purchasing flour by the carload, at an average of \$8.25 per barrel, the retail price elsewhere being \$12.

It will cost the Government \$115,000 to collect the Klekapos in Mexico and transport them to this country. What it will cost to keep them quiet after they get here is not stated.

At a late conference session a clergyman gave a reason why the Baptist church is like a beaver's hut: "There is only one entrance to it, and that it is under water."

On a small section of one street in Newburyport, the houses all being in sight, reside twenty widows, and they may all be said to be in comfortable circumstances.

When the jury returned a verdict that John Jackson of Green Bay was guilty of burglary, Mr. Jackson rose up and said, "I'll bet a hundred dollars I ain't!"

The statistics of Warren for 1873 show 81 births, 35 marriages and 38 deaths. Nearly 3 per cent. was added to the population by birth.

The poor house of Barre was dedicated Wednesday by dancing, dinner and speeches.

It is estimated that there are seven miles of books in the Congressional Library.

The scarlet fever is raging among children of Milford to a fearful extent.

They are eating strawberries in Ousfield, Md. Who cares?

Short Notes.

....The deaths in San Francisco for 1873 were 400.

....New York lost \$50,000 by twenty-seven fires last week.

....Norfolk, Va., is shipping gigantic blocks of granite to Boston.

....Fourteen men and thirty-eight dogs traveled forty miles in Maryland, recently, to capture one grey fox.

....A seventy-three old resident of Danville, Ill., recently married a girl of twenty-three.

....Wisconsin has only three counties without Patrons of Husbandry.

....Dr. Talmage's new Brooklyn Tabernacle will be dedicated Feb. 22. It is now receiving the finishing touches.

....The Rev. Mr. Dudley of Milwaukee says he does not like to see Ann Louise Cary in tights.

....Judge Potter, who is classed as a reformer, is trying to have the opening prayer in the Ohio State Senate dispensed with.

....Brooklyn is investigating the affairs of its transient home, against the superintendent of which grave charges have been made.

....Townsend J. Taylor of Lockport, Md., is legally invited to pay \$10,000 to several ladies of the Helen Deste theatrical troupe, for charging them with stealing kid gloves.

....Snow is the Maine stay of Down East, where it makes even stages keep in doors, and Bangor streets impassable.

....Gen. Thomas A. Ross is out with an argument for towing canal boats with locomotives, a narrow gauge track to be built on the towpath.

....They had a great wolf hunt, at Waukegan, Ill., the other day. There were no wolves, but 300 men yelled themselves almost into a consumption.

....They have a new style of smoking car on the Central Pacific Railroad. It is divided into two parts, one of which is intended for Chinese, the other for white men.

....Master Frank Burr, of Westport, Conn., drew a dagger and threatened to use it on his teacher, Miss Esther St. John Chapman, recently.

....John Nickles, a colored barber of Detroit, has recovered a verdict of \$1000 damages in the Superior Court against owners of the steamer Jay Cooke for refusing to allow him to dine at the first table after he had paid first-class fare. This settles the question that in Michigan at least the holder of a first-class ticket is entitled to first-class privileges in steamboats and on railroads without distinction of nationality, color, or previous condition.

....G. H. Newton of Monson, Gen. Deputy of the "Sovereigns of Industry," is organizing subordinate councils in various parts of the State and New England; one recently organized in Greenfield with F. L. Burnham as Master and one at Athol with William D. Underwood as Master.

A sad suicide occurred in Springfield Wednesday morning. Nellie Weeman, a nurse-girl of 17 years, employed by Judge Smith on Howard street, was found dead in her room, with a bottle of chloroform by her side, and a letter to her parents. The girl had been laboring under considerable religious excitement, and been gradually growing insane. It is thought the act was committed in a moment of despondency.

....Mrs. Julia M. E. Warner, whose buildings on Davis street, Worcester, were damaged by lightning July 10, 1872, has just recovered \$335.58 from the lightning-rod company whose rods were used on her house, and whose agent, in guaranteeing protection, had also guaranteed insurance.

....The women are getting bolder and bolder. They have founded a church in Chicago, and insist on having an equal representation in the god-head. They have established a quadrinity, so to speak, composed of "God, the father; Lord, the mother; Christ, the son, Soni, the daughter."

....D. Mackintosh's dye house in Holyoke was burned Friday evening. The loss is estimated at about \$5000, which is nearly covered by insurance. Most of the loss was on the fixtures and stock, the building, which was owned by the Felton Paper Company, being of little value.

A woman at Fort Laramie has sued a paper for saying that she murdered three husbands, when the truth of the matter was that only two of them died under her treatment, the third escaping with a broken rib.

A woman at Vassalboro, Me., recently returned to her husband after a nine years' stay among the Shakers. Her husband invited all the neighbors to celebrate the event and welcome her home.

An engine exploded in front of Stoughton station, Toronto, Saturday. Two firemen were killed and one other wounded. The roof of the station and freight shed were blown off.

A flock of English sparrows have been taking lodgings in a Catholic church steeple in Fitchburg, and another in a Protestant steeple. They visit each other without reference to creed.

Chloroform was administered to a bull in Fitchburg recently, for the purpose of performing a surgical operation. The chloroform did its work so faithfully that the animal died.

A St. Louis paper states that during eleven months last year four hundred employes of a single railroad were killed or severely hurt while coupling cars.

A SICKENING SIGHT.—Marshall Martin, an old man, was hung at Martinez, Cal., on the 25th of January for the murder of Valentine Elischer, last November. The fall was six feet. The rope stretched with a sudden, elastic like spring, the black cap flew into the air at least eight feet, and spattering the blood in great spots over the whitewashed wall, the rope, the chair in which the doomed man sat and the Sheriff's boots, it rolled away in one corner of the enclosure. The body of the poor man fell to the ground with a great thud, and two red, geyser-like jets spouted up from the neck and fell down on the ground in torrents. A closer look, and then the horror-stricken faces of the spectators showed that the awful nature of the occurrence had burst upon them. The old man's head had actually been jerked from his body, and was even then lying in the black cap where it had rolled in the corner. The headless trunk lay weltering in the blood which poured from the neck. Not a word was spoken. After the first thrill of horror strong men turned away, sickened at the spectacle. The faces on the platform were blanched and ghastly. The Sheriff was as white as chalk. Dr. Holbrook, who was present, first emptied the black cap of its sickening contents. He lifted the cap at the top, and the head rolled away over the ground like a cannon ball. The rope had severed the neck as cleanly as though it had been done with a knife. The body lay like a lump of lead. The horrible remains were at once placed in a coffin and hidden from sight.

The Pintes of Indian Territory are represented as suffering severely this winter. Much of the time without fires, they crouch in their miserable huts on the bleak hills, and live on frozen food. Nothing but natural toughness could carry them through the season alive.

Frank A. Johnson, 13 years of age, who was kicked on the right knee by another boy at Indian Orchard in Draught eighteen months ago and has been unable to stand since, died Sunday from his injuries, it being his birth anniversary.

A man named Henry Clinton died very suddenly in Hartford Jail on Sunday. He had been sent there for intoxication. Clinton went down with his fellow prisoners to the wash-room, fell back and died there almost instantly.

The floor of a large factory in Bury, Lancashire, England, gave way during a political meeting last Monday; six people were killed and many injured.

A little son, ten years old, of William Crocker of South Wilbraham, died on Friday from the effects of eating enormously of dried apples.

A child of A. Brown of West Brookfield, aged two and a half years, fell into a pail of hot water the other day and was fatally scalded.

One of Genet's securities had to pay up \$50,000, Saturday, for the non-appearance of the absconder.

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DR. PRIME ON MR. TALMAGE.—Dr. Prime, editor of N. Y. Observer says of Mr. Talmage: "His sermons I regard as among the best specimens of the simple, earnest, pungent presentation of the solemn and precious truths of the Gospel that I have ever read, and having a fertility that is marvelous." Mr. Talmage's sermons, etc., and Spurgeon's articles, are furnished to the Christian at Work, and to our journal in America. Mr. Talmage displays marked ability in conducting this paper, and we doubt not that he will make it a great success. It is published at 102 Chambers street, New York. Sample copy sent free. Agents wanted everywhere.

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MARRIED.

At Palmer, 20th ult., by Rev. O. W. Adams, THOMAS COWLES of Westfield and LUCY HASTINGS of Palmer.

DIED.

At Thorndike, 2d, CALVIN W. HASTINGS, 42.

At Ludlow, 27th ult., HANNAH D., 66, wife of Dea. Elsie, Parsons.

At Sunderland, 31st ult., Rev. DAVID PECK, 49, pastor of the Congregational church.

At Belchertown, 3d, WALTER ASHWORTH 73.

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village of Thorndike to Three Rivers in said vil-
lage of Thorndike, and is bounded southerly by
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northerly by land of E. C. Murdock, and easterly
by land occupied by Thomas V. Kent, and being
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476, to secure twelve hundred dollars and interest
and said premises are subject to said mortgage
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westerly on road leading from the house of Widow
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Marshall Fox, recorded in said registry of deeds
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The Journal.

SATURDAY, FEB. 14, 1874.

The London Geographical Society don't take any stock in the report of Dr. Livingstone's death. It ridicules the idea of his body having been embalmed in salt.

Mr. DAWES proposes to have Congress adjourn on the 15th of May, but Congress don't propose to do any such thing, and has referred his resolution to the committee on ways and means, of which he is chairman.

WENDELL PHILLIPS wants two currencies for this country—one for local business and the other for foreign currency. That would be a queer kind of monetary system to operate with, but Phillips is one of those men who could make it go in theory if not in practice.

GEN. BUTLER is still troubled with the press, and keeps a big file of newspapers on hand to show Congress what "liars" they are. His last exposure in the House charged the blame upon the reporters at Washington instead of upon the editors, for a wonder.

CASHIER WILLIAMS of the Connecticut National Bank, don't seem to have the full confidence of the bank authorities, for they discarded the story of his being gagged and bound by thieves when their bank was robbed last week, and he has been arrested and held in \$20,000 bonds for trial.

AN Abby Smith convention is to be held at Worcester on Thursday next, to protest against the injustice of the proposed sale of Worcester county homesteads belonging to women, for non-payment of taxes. The Smith sisters will be there to tell all about those Alderney cows, and Stephen S. Foster will engineer the meeting.

The Boston school board continue to exhibit that perversity of temper for which all genuine Bostonians are proverbial. They have refused 67 to 85 to reconsider their vote by which the lady members were excluded from that board. But the storm of righteous indignation is beating about their ears like the waves upon their rocky coast.

The Republicans of Connecticut have just nominated the following State ticket: For Governor, Henry B. Harrison of New Haven; Lieut. Governor, John T. Walt of Norwich; Treasurer, David P. Nichols of Danbury; Secretary of State, John Q. A. Stone of Killingly; Controller, E. Perry Packer of Coventry. The convention passed strong resolutions in favor of honest and upright government both in the National and State administrations.

The women's temperance war in the West continues with unabated success, and what was at first laughed and sneered at is now creating intense excitement all through Ohio and Indiana. Many saloons have been closed, and the movement has assumed the proportions of a social revolution, which bids fair to spread through all the West. Thus far the work has been confined to the rural districts, but the ladies are now planning campaigns against the larger cities.

The seventh annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boston & Albany Railroad was held at Boston on Wednesday. The old board of directors was re-elected, and the report of President Chapin and the directors accepted. Hon. Henry Twichell proposed the building of eight miles of new road to connect the Ware River branch with the Boston, Barre & Gardner R.R., and thus save 42 miles in the distance between Colebrook and Boston. The matter was referred to the directors for consideration.

ANOTHER of those unjustly imprisoned persons, of whom we spoke a week or two ago, is suffering in the New Jersey State prison, where he has been confined for three years. A convict named Matthews, in prison at Joliet, Ill., has confessed that he and McWilliams, Chief of Police of Jersey City, committed the robbery for which Maurice Strauss is suffering. Matthews gives particulars, and relates how the chief of police planned the robbery and contrived to fasten the guilt upon Strauss. Yet this man has no remedy for his unjust confinement.

WHATEVER respect the people of this State may have left for the Constabulary must be seriously shocked at the revelations being made before the liquor committee of the Legislature. It has been shown that one constable has been retained on the force who is proved guilty of forgery and other deceitful practices. Ex-State Constable Jones testifies that he was convinced that 50 constables were as good as 500 in enforcing the liquor law, which he believed to be a corrupt one. He said the constables would flood the courts with business, and to get rid of it the district attorneys would draw a pen through thousands of cases. He thought a rigid license law would be better sustained than the present obnoxious law. He said that while he was constable he "enforced the law as rigidly as he believed the sentiment of the people would sustain." This confession of the ex-constable is the key to the practice with the force now. They will not enforce the law only where they think the public will sustain them, and this admission of their own application of the law is enough to condemn them and the law, and justify the Legislature in squelching the whole concern.

CALIFORNIA editors have very liberal ideas of the freedom of the press, and two of the profession in San Francisco have got themselves into hot water by their grossly personal and abusive attacks upon each other. First the Chronicle, in a leader, called the publisher and editor of its cotemporary, the Sun, all sorts of vile names, and in return the Sun man came out in a double leaded editorial, attacking not only the libellant but his wife and sisters, in a most outrageous manner. The affair caused intense excitement, and copies of the Sun containing the article sold as high as \$5 and \$10 in gold each. The parties afterwards came in contact in the streets, were separated by the police, and lodged in jail. The end of the matter has not yet been reached.

A BILL has been introduced into Congress for withdrawing twenty-five millions of dollars from the currency of the Eastern States, \$10,783,295 of which is to be taken from Massachusetts. In this vicinity it proposes to take \$163,500 from the Third National at Springfield, \$60,000 from First National of Northampton, \$139,125 from Pittsfield National, and \$1500 from Ware National. Should this bill pass it might tighten the money market of New England a little, while the amount would be added to the currency of the Western States. Gen. Butler and some other members are anxious for an inflation of the currency, and this question is yet to be settled in Congress.

THE Legislature is on its sixth week, but has reached none of the important questions yet to come before it. The liquor question, the Tunnel question, Woman Suffrage and Prison for Women, will require much time and debate. The liquor bills already presented indicate the earnestness with which this question will be fought. It is believed that there is a majority in both branches against the law and constabulary, but not majority enough to pass a bill over the Governor's veto. If our legislators do not hurry up they will spin out a session as long as any session in the past.

AGAIN we have reports of a serious outbreak among the Indians of the Northwest—in Nebraska, and Wyoming territory, and the prospects for a general raid is threatening. Forty or fifty Indians made an attack on two U. S. army officers, and their bodies were found next day riddled with bullets and arrows. The Sioux tribe is burning ranches, murdering ranch men and stealing stock. Frank Appleton, a Government Indian agent was murdered by them and it is thought the agency was burned. Troops have been telegraphed for and great excitement prevails.

BADLY afflicted is the little village of South Windham on the line of the New London railroad. The small-pox is in evidence, and what was at first laughed and sneered at is now creating intense excitement all through Ohio and Indiana. Many saloons have been closed, and the movement has assumed the proportions of a social revolution, which bids fair to spread through all the West. Thus far the work has been confined to the rural districts, but the ladies are now planning campaigns against the larger cities.

THE National Grange has just adopted a platform which sounds pleasantly on the ear in these days of political fraud and party claptrap. If the grangers will remain true to the objects they avow and the principles they enunciate, especially if they will adhere firmly and sincerely to their expressed determination not to allow politics to enter into their organization, they will accomplish all they desire for themselves and do much good to the whole country.

OUR Massachusetts Senate on Wednesday voted to rescind the Summer resolution, by 26 yeas to 7 nays. Gen. Banks made a speech in favor of it, and our Hampden Senator, Lathrop, threw in one or two well-aimed shots on the same side. There was no need of speeches, the Senate having been ready from the first to give the resolution a death blow.

MR. DAWES made a speech on Thursday showing up the state of the National finances. He opposed the proposed repeal of duties on bank checks and matches which last year yielded \$5,100,000.

AN UNLUCKY GIRL.—Many and strange are the ills that flesh is heir to, but one of the strangest is that which afflicts a Pittsfield Miss of about eleven years. Her bones seem to be of such tender material that they break upon the slightest jar of blow, like pipe stems or frail glass tubes. She has already sustained fractures of seven different bones, and is now compelled to keep her bed nearly all the time to preserve herself from further accident.

A RECKLESS BOY.—Johnson Ranke, aged seventeen years, engaged to Elizabeth Lloyd, both living in Salem county, N. J., becoming madly jealous of her at a party, last week, early left for home. As she, accompanied by two gentlemen, was returning later, in a carriage, a pistol bullet penetrated her back, lodging in her left lung, and will probably cause her death. Ranke was arrested, but maintains that his pistol accidentally went off.

Wheaton T. Knight of Fiskdale, Uxbridge, stepped upon a nail, on Monday last week, but did not consider the wound worthy of special notice until some days later. Inflammation set in, and he died of lockjaw on Sunday.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....No sleighing parties yet, and not much prospect of any at present.

....Next Wednesday is the commencement of Lent, being Ash Wednesday.

....Michael Mack of River street was seriously injured last Saturday by being gored by a cow.

....A new time table goes into effect on the S. A. & N. E. R. R. next Monday, with some important changes.

....A car-load of horses arrived in town this week in charge of Chas. E. Dewey, and they have been on sale at the Antique Horse stable.

....Dr. Jewett, the veteran temperance lecturer, will speak before the Temperance Reform Club at their meeting next Monday evening.

....The good sleighing and balmy weather of Sunday brought out many people to enjoy them, and three runaway (only one causing any damage) were reported.

....A bed in H. P. & J. S. Holden's store was discovered to be on fire Tuesday, in January, 20 per cent. over December on passenger traffic, while the gain in freight business is even greater.

....The receipts of the Springfield, Athol and North Eastern R. R. show a gain in January of 20 per cent. over December on passenger traffic, while the gain in freight business is even greater.

....The Ladies' Society of the 2d Cong. Church held a pleasant social at their vestry Thursday evening. The next social of the society will meet with Mr. Perlin Shearer on the 25th inst.

....A party of young people from this village went to West Brookfield last week Friday night, and enjoyed a pleasant evening at the house of Mr. P. M. Butler, returning on the midnight express.

....Three Rivers and Thorndike liquor sellers, as well as those of this village were honored by a visit from the state police on Wednesday. Five seizures of liquor were made, all of them being small quantities.

....Among the arrivals at the American House this week were a Scotchman, wife and eight children, just over from Bonnie Scotland, each bearing the beautiful glow of their native climate upon their ruddy cheeks.

....A special meeting of the Young People's Literary Club will be held at their rooms in Commercial block, this (Saturday) evening, 7 o'clock, for the transaction of important business. A full and prompt attendance is desired.

....The Springfield Blanket Company have again leased their former mill at Winchester, and will run it in addition to their present mill at Holyoke. This will bring a good deal of their freight over the Ware River R. R.

....The Y. P. L. C. meeting was very bright Wednesday evening, and was held at the house of Miss Ella Nelson was excellent, while the readings by L. Jennie Ross and Flora Seaver were deserving of credit.

....It is expected that there will be an Old Folks' Concert in this village next Friday evening. The place of holding the performance has not yet been decided upon.

....Palmer is to be honored on the 24th inst. by the annual meeting of the State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, in this village. It is expected that every subordinate grange in the State will be represented, as the late meeting at Greenfield, was only for temporary organization.

....A horse attached to a sleigh containing an Irishwoman and her boy, became frightened on the railroad bridge Sunday afternoon, and dashed into a stone post near Dr. Holbrook's office, demolishing the sleigh, but without injury to the occupants or the steed. The parties belonged in Thorndike.

....The wood sawyer at the New London Northern sheds in this village very narrowly escaped a serious accident last Thursday afternoon. A piece of his circular saw broke off, cut its way through a hard oak stick, and from thence into the earth under the machine. Had it struck him it would have undoubtedly caused instant death.

....The case of Jerre Finn of Bondville, for drunkenness on the 19th of January, last, was brought before the District Court on Thursday. The evidence showed that Finn was a very quiet and peaceable fellow when sober, but that he was a little under the influence of liquor that evening, and was inclined to be somewhat noisy. As it was his first offence, he was let off with a fine of \$1 and costs, amounting to \$18.50 which was paid by his parents, and he was discharged.

MR. E. M. Barnes of this village has a fine farm of 200 acres in Blandford which he desires to sell for \$1,400. It is a good opportunity for some active man to secure a good place, and Mr. Barnes assures us there is wood enough on the farm to pay for the same. It is desirably located and well supplied with water.

At the festival held in the Methodist church last week, a prize was exhibited that was made from rhubarb grown in this town since the first of January. Adin Whitney was the man that raised the plant. The people of Ludlow Center are moving in earnest for a post office, and have forwarded a petition for the same to postmaster general Creswell. The new office would accommodate 75 families, some of whom are now a long distance from any office.

The social entertainment at the M. E. church on Friday evening of last week was a rich thing. Those who were competent to judge said it was the best of the kind ever held in Enfield. The annual meeting for electing officers for the ensuing year was held in the vestry Monday evening, and resulted in the choice of H. M. Woods for clerk and treasurer, Warren Sadder, J. J. Howe, and D. Allen, prudential committee, H. M. Woods, D. Parker, A. Kennedy, soliciting committee.

A sad and fatal accident occurred at Brimfield on Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock. Edward F. Hitchcock, a young man of 35, who was engaged with several men in getting out wood and lumber on the Alfred Lombard farm, was sawing a log, when Edward Buffet, who was called by another man directly upon them. Buffet

saw the tree falling and escaped with slight bruises, but Hitchcock had no warning and was crushed. He was taken home, and died till Wednesday morning in an unconscious state. He was well known in this section, and lived in Palmer last summer, while engaged in the lightning rod business.

THE Wilbraham Public Improvement Society has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Rev. M. S. Howard; vice-president, Rev. T. W. Bishop; secretary, Albert S. Newton; treasurer, George Ely; directors, Rev. Dr. Cooke, O. K. Ladd, J. M. Merrick, Luther Markham, E. B. Brewer, Edmund Jones and J. M. Foster. Dr. Tourjee, of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, spent last Sabbath in Wilbraham. He spoke at the M. E. church in the forenoon, on "The relation of church music to worship." The people were very much pleased and instructed. In the afternoon he spoke at the South church, and also on "Sabbath School music" at the M. E. Sabbath School. In the evening a union praise meeting was held at the M. E. church, which was crowded. Everyone had a sheet of familiar hymns; also on the sheet there were a chant and one of Luther's grand old hymns, both of which Dr. had the people try, and he was delighted with the way they took hold of them. Such singing one does not often hear. Mr. Hayden of Boston gave a reading in Fisk Hall on Thursday evening, under the auspices of the singing class. There are but a little over two weeks left of the winter term at the Academy before the fortnight's vacation, which commences March 3d.

Charles Fowler takes possession of the store at E. E. Towne on the 1st of March, and will keep a large stock of goods on hand for the benefit of the public. Mr. Towne invites all who are indebted to him to pay up before the 1st of April, and as much sooner as possible. Business prospects for the coming season are full as flattering as one year ago. The old Hammer Mfg. Co's store, which has been unemployed for some time, is to be thoroughly overhauled, to be raised up five feet and then to be arranged for a grocery store, meat market, shoe shop, &c. The Rogers Brothers will occupy a portion of it for groceries, George L. Topf will also put in a stock of stoves and tin ware, and there is also room for a good enterprising boot and shoe maker to put in a stock, and manufacture also, as there is quite a demand for this class of goods, and a large portion of this trade goes elsewhere. The customary hiring time at the mills is at hand; but there is not much change made here, heretofore as most manufacturers now hire with conditions for either party to give notice in case of a desired change. G. H. Newton organized a Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry at Middlefield last Monday evening, with M. J. Smith as Master, and S. F. Root as Secy. Mr. Newton is explaining to the farmers in Litchfield county, Conn., the aims and objects of the Grangers, and organizing in that vicinity.

J. Gilbert Wilson of Springfield gave an organ concert in the new Methodist church Tuesday evening. The Turkey Hill saw mill, belonging to Orrin Walker and others, in the south-westerly part of the town, was destroyed by fire on Sunday afternoon, or the night of the fire unknown. The Methodist church at Belchertown was dedicated on Wednesday. The church is the one formerly occupied by the Union street society of Springfield, which was purchased by the church, and then remodeled and improved. Elder Thayer of the Springfield district conducted the dedicatory services, and Rev. Mr. Meredith of Springfield preached the sermon, taking for his text, Isaiah 42, 4. The church has a seating capacity of 400 persons, but over 600 were in attendance, and at the close of the sermon, a collection, amounting to \$1200, was raised towards paying off the church debt of \$7000. Another collection was also taken up after the sermon of Rev. Mr. Merrill, Hubbard, in the evening. The church stands on Main street, facing the common, is painted a light drab color, and makes a good appearance; it is 60 x 75 feet, with a spire 134 feet high. There are 62 slips in the audience room. A marble top table and four elegant pulpits were presented by the Trinity church society of Springfield, and a chandelier by a friend in Springfield, through Rev. Mr. Hubbard. The present pastor of the church is Rev. J. McLaughlin. A Vernon Lodge of Masons are to have a grand ball in two weeks. The State Executive Committee of Y. M. C. A., visit Belchertown, on the 21st and 22d, and interesting meetings are expected. The Congregational church has issued a new manual from which we glean the following facts:—The church was established in 1737, making it 187 years old, and one of the oldest churches in the vicinity. The present church building was erected in 1789, and it has been enlarged and improved three times since then, the last time in 1872, at a cost of \$700. Almost 1700 persons have been members since its organization, and it has had 11 pastors. The present membership is 295.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....Look out for valentines "about these days."

....The musical festival in Warren is to be held the first week in March.

....Rev. A. J. Rich supplied the Unitarian pulpit last Sabbath as usual.

....Patrick Keegan has purchased the Ballard place on South street for \$2400.

....Rev. Benj. T. Hall, formerly connected with Trinity church, is now rector of a church in Mexico, N. Y.

....The Hyers' sisters gave another of their fine musical entertainments at Music Hall last Friday evening.

....Large quantities of ice have been drawn in by Horace Bond and his assistants during the past week.

....The primary grade of schools closed last week, the intermediates finished Friday, and the grammar will close next week.

....It is understood that Rev. B. W. Atwell of Springfield has accepted the invitation to become rector of Trinity church.

....The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met at the residence of Addison Sanford on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

....That contemplated old folks' concert seems to lack support from the singers of this place, and will very likely be given up.

....The Unitarian social is postponed from Friday evening of this week to next Monday evening, on account of the concert of the Hyers sisters.

....The Sunday School concert at the Ware Centre church last Sabbath afternoon is spoken of by many as of unusual interest. The subject was, "Jesus, the

Sweetest Name," the recitation of which by the scholars excited deep feeling in the hearts of many of the congregation.

....Joseph R. Lawton addressed the East Cong. Sabbath School at the chapel last Sunday evening, taking as his theme, "The founding of the Sunday School."

....The furniture of the Ware Hotel, together with blue passenger coaches and other property belonging to the estate of S. H. Phelps, will be sold at public auction on Saturday of next week.

....Mr. Lewis B. Sibley, our enterprising boot and shoe dealer, has recently increased his business somewhat, by the purchase of a stock of goods in his line at the large and thriving town of Cohoes, N. Y., where he is now located, though at the same time carrying on his business in Ware as heretofore. Mr. Sibley is bound to succeed, for he has in him true business talent, and a peculiar facility to please.

....The 25th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Robinson was very appropriately observed at the vestry of the Unitarian church on Friday evening of last week. A large number of friends gathered to express their congratulations, and to join in the festivities of the occasion. Valuable gifts were presented, refreshments served, and the entire evening spent in the pleasantest manner possible.

....About forty members of the high school joined in a sleigh-ride on Thursday evening of last week, making the residence of Melzar Lambertson, near Gilbertville, their point of destination, and giving a pleasant surprise to Walter Lambertson, who is also a member of the school. Suffice it to say that a general good time for all the parties concerned was the result of their winter evening excursion. A similar party from the school visited Miss Nellie Foster (also a pupil) on Tuesday evening, by invitation. Similar results followed. On the same evening a party of seventy from the west part of the town called quite unexpectedly at the residence of Mr. Frank E. Hall, who submitted most respectfully to this new order of things, and allowed the company to have their own way in the matter. The occasion was highly social in its nature, and heartily enjoyed by all. Other similar surprise visits are to follow, so we are informed, and while this fine sleighing continues we may look for lively times.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.—Now that this order has grown to so large proportions, some interest is manifested in regard to the prominent men engaged in it. Of the secretary of the State Grange of Massachusetts, Benjamin Davis of Ware, the Springfield Union speaks as follows:—He is a native of the town, was born in 1812, received a common school education and remained in Ware until 1830. From that year to 1851 he was engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods, and during seven years of the time was superintendent of the Palmer company at Three Rivers, of the Thorndike company at Thorndike, and of the Otis company at Ware. From 1851 to 1853 he was agent for the protective union store at Ware, and from 1853 to the present time he has been a farmer with the exception of 1854 and 1855, when he was engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods at Moravia, N. Y., and from 1860 to 1864 when he was employed in the grocery and meat business at Indian Orchard. He has been repeatedly called to public positions, being both on the board of selectmen and one of the school committee of the town of Ware, and served two years in the same capacity previously. In 1863 he represented the town in the Legislature, as his son represents that district 16 years later. It is enough to say that he is well fitted for his present position, is keenly alive to the interests of the order and may be depended upon to do all in his power for its advancement.

Springfield congratulates herself because, although she will not have the college regatta, she will be blest with the principal professional boat race of the season, as Bernard Biglin of New York has signified his intention to back his brother, John Biglin, to row George Brown of Halifax, N. S., five miles over the Springfield course for \$1000 a side.

A young colored girl in Worcester, named Anna Dickerson, has become violently insane through religious excitement, and on Wednesday night after trying to strangle Mr. Hemenway, in whose house she was stopping, she stripped herself entirely naked and went out into the street, where she was found by the police and cared for.

In the case of Aaron Johnson, tried last week at Little Rock, Ark., the jury were impounded early in the afternoon, had no supper before retiring for consultation, no breakfast next morning, and when released were almost famished. The sheriff was fined \$50 for neglecting to feed them.

One of the wealthiest German brewers of Newark, N. J., has experienced a change of heart, and has determined not to permit his property to be used for brewing purposes. He is owner of one of the finest and most extensive breweries in the country.

Several ladies in Berkshire procure yarn of Boston firms and let it out to be worked into mittens. One has 300 workers, and has calls for all the yarn she will advance. The price for knitting averages \$1 per dozen pair.

The Mayor of Waynesville, Ohio, has issued an edict against the woman temperance movement. The ladies are as determined as he, and will prosecute their reformatory labors.

Capt. Asa Fisk of Sturbridge was taken with an apoplectic fit, while sitting at the supper table Friday evening, and died Saturday morning. He was 80 years of age.

So extensive a Roman Catholic revival is under way in Holyoke, that several additional confessionals have been opened, and confessions are heard through the entire day.

The Opera House at Bethlehem, Pa., was destroyed by fire Monday night. Fire crackers the cause. Loss \$30,000.

Short Notes.

—One Illinois Railroad killed twenty brakemen last year.

—No Senator of the United States has ever been elected President.

—The Terry Island Adventists will hold a convention in the spring and figure it out again.

—A colored man living near Huntingdon, Tenn., claims to be the father of "sixty-five children."

—The simplest kind of burglar alarm is to throw newspapers loosely on the stairways and near door and window.

—There is over \$80,000 in the treasury of New Haven, the receipts for liquor licenses.

—Charles Powers, city surveyor of New Haven, is under investigation.

—A corner lot in Hartford has just sold for \$1000 a foot.

—The small-pox has quite isolated South Windham from surrounding towns, and all correspondence with it is done by telegraph.

—A stock ice company with shares at \$100 each, has been formed at Holyoke.

—A small child in Akron, O., is reported as having devoured 846 pages of Sunday School literature in four hours.

—The Mayor of Balbriggan, Georgia, has had his wages raised to \$25 a month, with an evening out once a week.

—The bodies of Chang and Eng have been brought to Philadelphia, and will probably be badly cut up by the change.

In the suit of Mrs. Putnam, widow of Avery D. Putnam, killed by Foster with a car-bomb on a Broadway and 7th avenue car, against the railroad company, in which she got a verdict of \$5000 in the Superior Court, which was sustained by the general term, the court of appeals have revised the judgment, holding that the company was not responsible, as, although Foster was intoxicated, Mr. Putnam did not ask the conductor to remove him, but to keep him quiet which he did, and no passenger asked the conductor to remove Foster.

The Ashantees have at last yielded before Sir Garnet Wolseley's forces, and peace is assured. The defeated king accepts Sir Garnet's terms for cessation of hostilities, and agrees to pay an indemnity of \$1,000,000. All the white prisoners held by the Ashantees have been released, and delivered to the British forces. The latter had advanced to within a day's march of Coomassie, the Ashantee capital, when the treaty of peace was agreed upon.

The jury in the case of the Peck administrators against the New York Central railroads have brought in a verdict for \$4000 damages. Mr. Peck was an invalid and was expelled from a palace car on the road, refusing to pay the extra fare demanded of him for riding in it. The case was tried a year ago and a verdict of \$8000 damages was obtained. The company appealed, and Mr. Peck died, but his administrators continue.

Attorney-General Train of Massachusetts advocates the abolition of the death penalty. He says that as the law now stands secret murder may have become one of the safest of crimes, and in his opinion the certainty of conviction of a crime punishable by imprisonment for life will be far more effectual in deterring men from the commission of murder than the threatened severity of punishment by death.

John C. Henry, chief clerk of the United States Revenue Office at Lynchburg, absconded with a large sum of money. Twenty thousand dollars were found secreted in a drawer, which he failed to take with him. It is estimated that he carried off about \$100,000. He had the implicit confidence of the collector and did all his banking business.

A Boston paper thinks that the man who plunged beneath the ice and saved a lady from drowning, in this State recently, should be rewarded with the lady's hand. Let that man accept such a reward, and half the unmarried women in Massachusetts will be under the ice within four-and-twenty hours.

The Seth Thomas Clock Company of Thomaston, has shipped one of their tower clocks to San Francisco, which is to run 500 dials. The dials are operated by compressed air carried in pipes all over the building. The building has 500 rooms, and there is to be a dial in every room.

Mr. Goodwin a reformed drunkard of Springfield, gathers about a dozen street boys in his office every day and talks to them about temperance until they will sign a pledge. Then he gives them a dinner. It is supposed that some of the boys are repenting to a dreadful extent.

One fact brought to light in a discussion at Lowell, in relation to a parade on St. Patrick's Day was that about \$13,000 are expended in parades, while but \$12,000 are given for charitable purposes.

John Murphy was arrested at Trenton, N. J., on Monday night, on the complaint of his wife, for assault. He was locked up in the City Hall, and was found dead in his cell, Wednesday morning.

A correspondent of a Cincinnati paper has made the appalling discovery that the Italian Roman Catholics celebrate Christmas, New Year's day and Epiphany just like Americans.

Five prisoners coolly walked out of their cells in the jail in Assumption Parish, La., the other night, made the jailer give them a drink of water, and tranquilly departed.

Eight of the Kentucky kluks indicted in the United States circuit court, last November, have at last been found, and without any great difficulty. Warrants were only issued on the 21st ult., two of the outlaws were arrested in Louisville, one week after, and, last Saturday, the marshal and a squad of soldiers caught six more of the sixteen indicted, at their homes in Henry county. All but one of them, who escaped while the marshal was having a little private fight at a landing en route, are in jail at Louisville. They are almost all boys, save one; yet they are accused of brutal murders and other outrages scarcely less atrocious.

Speaking of the new temperance crusade at the West, the New York Evening Post says a crowd of praying women have no more right to enter a room against the wish of the owner or the person who hires it than a crowd of burglars. But the ladies appear to have carried their point in some instances, having induced several rum-sellers to abandon the traffic, and others to promise to do so when they have exhausted their stock in trade. The business at the places prayed at sensibly diminished during the operation.

Dr. Lewis says "the trouble is that in New England there is a lack of heat. The people have good heads, but poor stomachs. They think well but they can't digest; and so there is no moral fever. I never saw a New England audience at white heat, not even during the most exciting political campaign." That is true—we don't get red hot in New England, for we are a temperate people.

Numerous memorials complaining of the injurious effects to the eight-hour law upon the industrial pursuits of the country are coming before Congress, mostly from manufacturers in large cities, who urge the bad effects flowing from the Government's paying twenty per cent. more for labor than is given by private capital.

A new plan is to be tried with the Michigan convicts. The striped garments are to be abolished. The prisoners are to be allowed to correspond with their friends. Those who are uneducated are to be taught; and, when liberated, each man is to receive a new suit of clothes and \$10, with whatever he has earned by overwork.

John Doyle, foreman in Prentiss's wire mills in Holyoke, was seriously and singularly injured, Monday. He was running a circular saw, when a fellow-workman opposite accidentally thrust a piece of timber against the saw, causing it to be hurled with great force against Doyle's face, splitting it open from forehead to mouth.

A confidence woman of rare beauty and adroitness has swindled almost every merchant in Virginia City, and gone off with \$3,000 of net result. The victim, however, admires her cleverness so much that they refuse to attempt her capture and punishment.

At a town meeting, last Saturday, the Water Commissioners of Westfield were granted leave to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$100,000, and the rate of interest was fixed at seven per cent, instead of six per cent. as at present.

Peter Smithwick got drunk in Brookline, N. H., and on the way to his home in Hollis fell into a snow bank and was badly frozen. Since then he has been in the poor house, and the Hollis authorities have sued the liquor sellers for damages.

The original patent for metallic tips for shoes was sold for \$100, and the company which bought it became wealthy. Now, upon its expiration, the inventor has obtained its renewal, and compels the company to pay him \$60,000.

Charles J. Hines of Fitchburg has suddenly disappeared, because the overseers of the poor have discovered that he has a wife in New Hampshire, which they consider an unnecessary luxury for a poor man.

There was an explosion, Monday, in a building belonging to the knitting mill at Bristol, Conn., caused by a nail which passed through the picker and set fire to the cotton. Damage, \$100.

The country roads near Bath, Maine, are in a terrible condition, the snow being from two to three feet deep. At Readfield people living on cross roads do their traveling on snow shoes.

Amherst women have become interested in the temperance movement, and met, this week to devise means whereby the pledge shall be more generally circulated.

The total number of persons employed in manufacturing in Lewiston, Maine, is 7564. The total value of the manufacturing of the city for the past year is \$11,500,000.

Dr. E. W. Hatch, superintendent of the State Reform School at West Meriden, died, Saturday night. He had been superintendent of the school for fifteen years.

A Chicago Times correspondent considers that Charles Sumner is the only man in the United States Senate who is likely to be remembered 100 years hence.

It is believed from a secret circular which has been discovered that a general strike of railroad engineers will soon take place in the West.

In Springfield the young lads and lasses are indignant at being called children.

A collision occurred on Long Island Sound, on Saturday morning, between the steamer Newport and the propeller Doris, by which the Newport was damaged to the amount of \$10,000. The accident occurred off Watch Hill, and the Newport had a portion of her bow carried away. She remained four hours near the spot where the collision occurred, fixing a sail over the injured part, to prevent the water coming in, and finally slowly sailed to her destined port. The passengers were greatly frightened, but all arrived safely.

The school teachers just now are having a good deal of trouble. One in Bridgewater, Vt., after using moral suasion on a refractory pupil for some time past in vain, brought the ruler into practice a little one day last week, which so irritated the boy's father that he brought an action against the teacher, setting the damages at \$150.

The people of Gilroy, Cal., are enjoying the luxury of fresh strawberries. Many of the vines in the vicinity are in full bloom, while others contain berries in various stages of growth, from those just in the incipient to those waiting for the warm rays of the sun to ripen them, while still others are ready to be picked.

Alanson Freeman petitioned the Rhode Island Legislature to divide the land of the State among citizens in ten acre homesteads. The idea of finding ten acres in Rhode Island for each person was so ridiculous that the petition was promptly tabled.

Geo. M. Carson, a United States Custom House Inspector, on trial in the Criminal Court in Baltimore for the murder of Charles C. Grauer in August last, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

An old man, who had lived eighty years within 100 miles of New York, made his first appearance in that city on Thursday, and he would have kept away then if he had not been summoned there as a witness.

Geo. Morgan, a colored lad 12 years old, was run over on the Boston and Albany Railroad, near Jamesville, Worcester, on Tuesday evening, by a freight train, and received injuries from which he died.

Chancellor Austin Pollard of Mississippi is charged with having knowingly allowed the clerk of his court, a negro named Harrington, to make out an excessive and unjust bill of costs.

John Eiswirth of Hartford dreamed that he was carried on a train to St. Louis, and there met his long-lost brother-in-law. He wrote to St. Louis, and the brother-in-law was there.

The Legislature proposes to fine the persons fifty dollars or send them to the House of Correction for three months if they maliciously obstruct a fire engine on its way to a fire.

R. H. Taylor, Senator from Panola county, Miss., refused a railroad pass on the ground that it would not be consistent with a proper sense of public duty to accept the same.

Secretary Richardson anticipates that the deficiency at the end of the present fiscal year may be reduced at \$29,000,000 instead of reaching \$40,000,000, as he feared.

John Milton Earle of Worcester is dead. For 35 years he was editor of the Worcester Spy, being the founder of the daily edition. He was 79 years of age.

At Osgood, Ind., Monday night, J. Mitchell struck E. Yandever, his stepson, with an axe, and then shot him. The affair was caused by whiskey.

Benoni Howard, a New York millionaire, who counterfeited United States revenue match stamps, has been sent to the penitentiary for five years.

An old lady in Washington was recently heard to observe, on taking up the morning paper, "I wonder if anybody has been born that I know."

Dr. J. H. Schuck, a distinguished compounder of patent medicines, died at his residence in Philadelphia, Wednesday, aged sixty-three.

The ex-secretary of the Wisconsin State Grange is under investigation for little jobs in stationery. So young and so corrupt!

The Holyoke Warp Mill was partially destroyed by fire Wednesday morning. Loss estimated at from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Omaha proposes to build a big wooden tabernacle for Mrs. Van Cott, no church in the town being large enough for her.

United States Senator John P. Jones of Nevada is said to be worth \$7,000,000 in gold. His residence is Gold Hill.

The "Bobbin Boy" is expected in Washington again next year, notwithstanding his late bobbin' around.

The famine in India is increasing. More than 150,000 of the natives are in distress for food.

There are 169 women now attending the College of Surgeons in St. Petersburg, Russia.

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The "Art Union" of Gill & Hayes of Springfield has been drawn, and many valuable subjects disposed of. Mr. Oliver Marsh of that city got the Narrows, valued at \$500; Mr. Wyles of Brimfield, The Old Mill, valued at \$400; Mr. Peck of Collins Depot the Alderney Cattle, valued at \$150; Mr. S. R. Phillips, Raphael in his studio, valued at \$75; Mr. Norway, Maine View, by J. R. Riebeck, valued at \$100, and many others of considerable value were scattered through the country. There are some not yet claimed, and parties holding tickets had better present them.

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MARRIED.

At Palmer, 27th ult., WILLIAM H. GARDNER and MYRA BENSON.

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DIED.

At Palmer Center, 12th, ANNE E. HULBERT, 24, youngest daughter of John Carey.

At Monson, 11th, EDWARD A. 4 years and 8 months, son of A. B. Morehead.

At Stafford, Ct., 6th, EMMA P. BUTTERFIELD, 21, daughter of John Carey.

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E. E. TOWNE.

Monson, Feb. 11th, 1874. 3w50

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the firm name of A. A. Gage & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. A. A. Gage is authorized to settle the accounts of the firm. All persons indebted to said firm are requested to pay the same immediately.

A. A. GAGE.

C. M. MCMASTER.

Monson, Mass., Feb. 9, 1874.

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law and doing business in Palmer, in said
county at the last term of the Superior Court for
said county held for civil business, I have taken
all the right in equity of said PETER FURLEY, late
of said Palmer, now of parts unknown had on the
tenth day of February, 1873, to redeem two certain
parcels of real estate lying in said Palmer, to wit:
being the day upon which the same were attached
on mesne process. The first tract is situate on
the northerly side of the road leading from the
village of Thorndike to Three Rivers in said vil-
lage of Thorndike, and is bounded southerly by
said road, westerly by land of William Hastings,
northerly by land of E. S. Murdock, and easterly
by land occupied by Thomas V. Kent, and being
the same premises described in a mortgage deed
from said Furley to Keyes Foster, recorded in the
registry of deeds for said county, book 292, page
470, to secure twelve hundred dollars and interest
and said premises are subject to said mortgage
deed. The second tract is bounded northerly and
easterly by road leading from the house of Widow
Burleigh to Palmer Centre, southerly by land of
Michael Connor and land formerly of said Furley
and easterly by land formerly of said Furley,
containing about 9 acres, and being the same de-
scribed in mortgage deed from said Furley to
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Love's Belief.

I believe! I should die.

And you should kiss my eyelids when I lie Cold, dead and dumb to all the world contains.

The folded orb would open at thy breath, And from its exile in the aisles of death Life would come gladly back along my veins.

I believe! If I were dead,

And you upon my lifeless heart should tread, Not knowing what the poor old chance had done, It would find sudden pulse beneath the touch Of him it ever loved so life so much, And thro' again, warm, tender, true to thee.

I believe! If on my grave,

Hidden in woody depths, or by the wave, Your eyes should drop some warm tear of regret, From every salty seed of your dear grief I would come forth upon the hills of night, And gather stars like fagots all thy sight, Led by the beacon blaze, full till my eye!

I believe! If I should fade

Into those mystic realms where light is made, And you should long once more my face to see, I would come forth upon the hills of night, And gather stars like fagots all thy sight, Led by the beacon blaze, full till my eye!

I believe my faith in thee,

Strong as my life, so nobly placed to be, It would be as the sun, and as the moon, And fall like a dead king from his height sublime. His glory stricken from the throne of time, As the unworthy worshiper thou hast met.

I believe who has not loved

Half the treasure of his life improved; Like one who with the grape within his grasp, Drops it, with all its crimson juice unpressed, And all its incense sweet and unexpressed, Out from his careless and unheeding clasp.

I believe love, pure and true,

Is to the soul a sweet, immortal dew; That some life's petals in its hours of dusk; The waiting angels see and recognize, The rich crown jewel, love of Paradise, When life falls from us like a withered hulk.

FOR AN ENEMY.

They are rough men, they who earn their living far down in the mines where, save for the flickering light of any lamp, all is thick darkness. Miles away from the face of the bright, beautiful earth; among the secrets which nature has hid away in her bosom; tearing from the beds on which it has lain so long, those precious black stones that play such an important part in the economy of labor. To the cheery music of the pick and shovel they toll the day long; and the lamps upon their hats shed a halo of brightness all around them.

Once upon a time, so the story books run, gnomes, dwarfs, and other mythical creatures, in the dismal halls held their nightly revels, and these lamps of coal were precious glittering jewels.

Every now and then there goes out to the world a tale of horror that chills the blood of the hearer—a story of blood; of the deathly chock-damp that strangles a strong man in an instant; of burning breakers, choking up the shaft and leaving the miners below to die a horrible, lingering death; of explosions that tear a mass of bleeding, shattered men who toll their, but kindly, who stand every hour on the brink of the grave, and have for their companion, always at their side—Death.

Down behind the beautiful hills the sun is shining; slowly from their rich pastures in the clover and timothy come the cattle lowing a farewell to the departing day. Done is the day's dwelling, the miner's wife looks across the fields to where the light is glittering at the foot of the shaft, far up the hillside. At length, in the gathering darkness, issuing one by one from the pit come number of stars, as they seem, that twinkle brightly, and like various constellations divide in different bodies and take separate orbits. They are the lights in the miner's hats; and the bread-winners are coming home.

Look at them as they come swarming in to the village! Black, ragged, strong armed and powerful! Surely, men not fit to be depended upon to stand firmly though the end was destruction.

Into one of the houses that stood in a long row on the only street of the place, a young man turned, and opening the garden gate, passed up the walk into the dwelling. He was a delicate lad, and seemed unfitted for this hard labor that required possession of all the muscle and sinew allotted to mankind.

"Good evening, mother," he said cheerily to the sole occupant of the room, as he entered.

"Yes, Harry, you're home!" replied the lady by whom he was addressed.

"As he spoke he sank wearily down upon the settee, and buried his face in his hands.

Long the woman contemplated her boy, pityingly for well she knew that the unwholesome work in the mines was killing the lad—but what could he do? Many years ago his father was one day brought home stunned and bleeding, and without a word of explanation or farewell, passed away.

What so likely as that the son should take up the trade of the father, and early in life be the provider of her who cared for him when helpless! So into the mine Harry went, and through my nature unfitted for such an avocation, did his work with the best of them. Mining paid well—perhaps there is no other branch of labor, purely manual, that is so well compensated as this, and the boy felt that when others depended upon him it was no time for conceits or prejudices.

"Come, Harry! Get washed—supper is ready."

Unwillingly the young man rose from his seat, and taking down the basin from its accustomed wall, went out to the pump and filled it with water. When he had washed himself clean of the grime that covered him, and took his seat at the table, it could be seen that he was a pale, handsome boy of about nineteen or twenty years of age—the son of one of those Welsh miners who, from generation to generation, follow the same pursuit.

A handsome couplet thought the mother, as, shortly after, she saw her son pass by with Emily, the belle of the village, hanging upon his arm. Handsome Emily! with her bright eyes, her cheeks rosy with health, Emily who had turned the heads of half the young men in the vicinity, and finally settled her affections upon Harry! They were engaged to be married, at least so report said, and only waiting until that mysterious future when the boy could, to use a common phrase, "see his way clearly," before assuming the responsibility of marriage.

No one saw them; no eyes, save those twinkling so brightly far up over head, looking upon the lovers, and they were happy in their solitude.

But, as at the approach of morning, the sleeper wakes from his pleasant dream and finds that the cruel, cold realities of life are before him, so Harry awoke one day to find that all his love-dreams, all his happy anticipations of a glorious future, were like the mirage of the desert—fancy pictures in a dreary waste of sorrow and desolation. It came about in this wise.

He, with a friend and partner, entered into a mining speculation in a small way.

The two young men showed that they possessed both energy and perseverance. They engaged additional "hands," and went to work in earnest. The speculation promised to be a good one, and an advance in the price of coal only made a successful result more certain. Feeling that he was now on the high road to success, he determined to hesitate no longer, but at once asked Emily's parent to sanction their marriage.

He knew of the little opposition he would meet with, for the love was mutual, and his worldly prospects considerable. Improved, he hoped that however unwillingly it might be done, her parents would still give their consent to the marriage.

But, upon stating his wish, he found how badly he had deceived himself. Believing that he would now be in the condition to suitably support their daughter, Emily's people had, as before mentioned, allowed the thing all along had seemed out of the possibility, was broached, all the old feelings of animosity sprang up anew. Her father told the lad that the best plan for all would be to drop the matter and think no more about it, as it never could be. In vain the poor fellow pleaded—told of his deep love for her—spoke of his life, on which not a star or spark, save that honorable one of poverty, existed.

He expressed his willingness to toil hard, and deny himself much, that she should not mind his home comfort—and she loves him!" he exclaimed, "and what will love not do? It will make our home happy!—it will gladden poverty! Oh, sir! I know what love will do! I know what it has done for me! It has made the dark, damp 'breasts' glisten with sunshine! and, in the dripping of the water as it forces its way through the rocks of the mine I have heard only the singing of birds!"

But the practical father was unmoved by the eloquent appeal of the young lover, and still persisted in his determination, and with a heart almost breaking Harry left him. Oh! how dark everything looked! Emily was lost. Yes, lost! he cried, and like the wail of sorrowing nature, came back the echo, "lost!" Only a rough miner, but too honorable to marry her clandestinely.

Far out of the village, in a wild spot in the heart of one of the mountains, the boy went, and there alone with his God he had his bitter hour, and passed into the shadow from which he was never to emerge. 'Twas all over this girl's love. All that he had to do was to wait for a friend—here was a chance to die for an enemy; one who had hurt him, one who hated him. His mind was made up. He loosened his grasp from the car, and it was soon far above his head.

When his companions saw he was not with them, they called to him frantically, and one threw him a rope, which, mechanically, he caught.

Was the finger of God in this, telling him that he must be saved? Here in his hands he held life and safety—should he accept it?

"Love your enemies!"

He let go the rope, and without a tremor watched the car leave him to his terrible fate.

Now for his work! They would come down again for him if it were possible for man to fight his way through the flames, and these miners never deserted one another. He well knew that; but 'twas no time for idle dreaming. Back to the place where he had seen the man lying prostrate, and all the while there was before him a sweet face now lost to him forever—lost by the deeds of him he would save. Covering his eyes with his hands, as if to shut out the vision which was stifling his good resolutions, he prayed for strength to endure to the end.

Seizing the helpless man in his arms, he dragged him to the foot of the shaft, and anxiously looked up. Too late! too late! Instead of the sky above he saw a mass of burning, glowing embers, choking up the only exit from this vast place of sepulcher—yes, it was death!

The next day, when the fire was subdued, and the men were able to enter the mine, they found lying at the foot of the shaft a powerful man, and resting partly across his body, with a calm, peaceful expression on his face, sleeping the sleep of death, was Harry.

A STRONG HINT.

A little boy who had been told that he must never ask for anything to eat when away from home, went into a neighbor's house when the lady chanced to be frying doughnuts.

"Oh," said he, "you're cooking."

"Awa' that he had been well trained, and anxious to see whether his appetite would get the better of his manners, the lady did not give him any of his doughnuts.

"Well," said he, returning to the charge, "you gakes look nice."

"O, yes, nice," said the lady; "they are the best I ever cooked."

"After playing a few minutes with the cat he remarked, "and they smell nice."

"Oh, yes, they smell nice," was the lady's tantalizing answer.

"Well," said the boy, "I suppose if any little child that was hungry should come in here when you were cooking you would give him something to eat?"

"Well, yes, I think I would."

"Well," said he, after another turn with the cat, "I guess I must go home, for I am hungry."

It is needless to add that he got a doughnut.

A sexton, being very familiar with a physician, was asked whether he had entered partnership with him. "Oh, yes," said he, "we've been together for some time; I always carry the doctor's work home when it is done."

Cardinal Antonelli is laid up with the gout, brought on by a life of abstinence and self-denial.

"There were just ten of us—that's all—just ten men came up alive. You can count it yourself, how many was lost."

"Twas there your father was killed," continued Patsy, "the man they called Patsy turning to the lad."

"Yes I know all about it; too well," sorrowfully replied the young man.

"He was a fine man, your father was," continued Patsy, "he might have saved himself, only he went back to help his friend."

"Yes, sir, he died to save his friend," said the other. "You'll never be such a man as your father before you was, my boy."

That was the opinion they all had of him, for weakness, and seeming effeminacy were damning faults to these men's eyes and Harry knew that in their heart of hearts they considered him cowardly and imbecile. He felt it was false. Something within him told that if the hour should come when his manhood was to be tried, he would, despite his delicate frame, not be found wanting.

The arrival of the cage that was to convey them down into the pit cut short all further conversation, and picking up their tools, the hands prepared to descend.

Harry and his partner began work at their allotted place in the breast. Merely raving the picks, and loudly through those long avenues echoed the singing of some long spirits neither damp nor darkness could effect. All was going on well in this underground world. Suddenly, above the noise and tumult, those nearer the entrance heard the danger signal! They sprang to the shaft and anxiously looked up.

Great heaven! the breaker was on fire! Quick men! If you value your lives!—every moment is worth millions of gold to you!

All over the mine went that terrible announcement—danger!

Far away from this scene of horror and confusion Harry was working unconscious of his peril. At last he heard the signal. Pick and bar were hastily dropped, and with all the speed of which they were capable, he and his partner ran for what was now life and happiness—the shaft.

Flying thus, Harry stumbled over something lying on the floor of the breast. A hasty glance downward, and he saw it was the Superintendent, Emily's father!

"Quick! Harry! Jump in!" cried one of his companions, as he reached the shaft, and the rapidly ascending car was indeed proving a saviour of men.

Without answering, he seized hold of the side of the vehicle, was about springing in when, clear as a bell tolling in the frosty air, there came ringing in his ears these words:

"Love your enemies; bless them that curse you; do good to them that hate you—"

Irresolutely he paused, like one entranced. 'Twas but

The Journal.

SATURDAY, FEB. 21, 1874.

Does Simmons for Collector mean Butler for Governor next year?

SOMEBODY proposes Alaska for a penal colony. And has it got to this that we must freeze our criminals to death?

THERE is a prospect that the Indians will be turned over to the tender mercies of the War Department, in which case the Indian Bureau and Quakers must take a back seat.

THE King of the Sandwich Islands is dead. King William was a clever ruler, but his reign was not a long one. Now the friends of annexation to the United States will begin to talk.

Mrs. WOODHULL's admirers in Central New York propose to start a "Communal Home," where every one is to enjoy "perfect freedom and individual sovereignty." Another Oneida community, perhaps.

THE petition to Congress asking to have the Delty acknowledged in the Constitution, receives no favor by the committee to which it was referred, and Gen. Butler, chairman of that committee, has reported adversely upon it.

THE grave robbers of Illinois will now find their occupation gone, the legislature of that State having passed an act requiring the superintendent of the State prison, warden of poor houses, coroners, &c., to deliver unclaimed bodies to medical colleges when wanted.

A NEW Workingmen's Association has started in New York and Pennsylvania, and with the Grangers and Sovereigns of Industry, about all classes of people will get "taken in" somewhere. The latter has one virtue, inasmuch as it discards politicians entirely.

THE poor Ashantees have capitulated to the English, and now John Bull can revel in Africa to his heart's content. Sir Garnet Wolseley's expedition has marched into the city of Coomassie, the Ashantee capital, which is unknown to the outside world, and said to possess untold wealth.

It looks as though Congress would restore the free exchange of newspapers and free delivery of newspapers by mail in the counties where published; also the free transmission by mail of public documents, and seeds from the Agricultural Bureau. We shall not object to all this.

THE Press Association of Massachusetts held its annual meeting at the American House, Boston, on Tuesday. The principal officers of last year were re-elected, and then, after discussing advertising and the present postal law in reference to newspapers, the members sat down to dinner, which was followed by an intellectual treat from Canon Charles Kingsley of England, Mark Twain, and members of the Association.

GREAT is the commotion at Boston on account of the appointment of Supervisor Simmons, the ward politician, for collector of that port, in place of Judge Russell, whose resignation had been asked for. Simmons is Butler's right hand man, and nobody but the General knew anything about the appointment till it was made. A desperate effort is making to have the appointment withdrawn, or to have the Senate reject Simmons.

THE hearing before the committee on State Police and Liquor Law, at the State House, brings out a queer medley of opinions. A few persons testify to the efficiency of the law, while the number who oppose it is large. Some of the district attorneys think the law as now administered a good one, while others think it a great source of demoralization to the courts, and a heavy expense to the public treasury. F. W. Bird advocates that each town be allowed to decide the matter of selling under a general law. The testimony is so conflicting that the committee will have to act on their own judgment in making their report.

THE New York Sun publishes a strange account of Hoyt of Athol, the man who labored so hard for the resolve censuring Charles Sumner. The account says that while he lived at Leavenworth, Kansas, he belonged to a band of outlaws under the leadership of a notorious ruffian, his object being to murder and plunder. The account says that Hoyt was frequently heard to boast of the number of people he had killed, and the quantity of pelts he had secured. Yet Mr. Hoyt looks like a mild-mannered man, and would not be taken for a ruffian or a thief. Perhaps the Sun's informant is a little mistaken, or has got hold of another Hoyt.

MR. DAVES' speech on the financial condition of the Government last week was like throwing a very large brick into a crowd. It has stirred up Congress and the people to say a good many unpleasant things. The Democrats like it, because it affords them ammunition to use against the Republicans; the Republicans who sustain the administration don't like it, and are indignant at Mr. Daves. It is alleged that Mr. Daves has exaggerated, and that another showing will be made which will give a better view of the treasury. If Mr. Daves will stick to his text, and not go back on himself as he did four years ago, he will get the credit of being an honest man, and a safe counselor—a merit rarely won by modern Congressmen.

End of a Monster.
Franklin B. Evans, an old man, 66 years of age, was hung at Concord, N. H., at 11 o'clock last Tuesday, for the murder of Georgiana Lovering, a niece of his, about 14 years of age, more than a year ago. The crime was a revolting one, and excited a good deal of interest through the country, inasmuch as it was at the same time suspected that he was guilty of the murder of several other children whose deaths had never been accounted for. The old man did not show any signs of penitence till near the last, when he made confession to the warden and chaplain of the prison. He met his death stoically, and never shrank or shuddered as he took his stand upon the drop. The fall was six feet, and his neck was broken, so that he died easily. In his confession he says that he was studying medicine, and lived in the family of Sylvester Day, who had married his sister. Their daughter Susan, had been married to a Mr. Lovering, and Georgiana was her daughter. He says:

"Lovering was very loose in her morals. Georgiana sometimes drank, and was led in conversation, often telling me of her shameful intercourse with three young men. She repeatedly urged me to have intercourse. I was tempted, but more frequently refused. She would often take advantage of circumstances to procure person, and in other ways to tempt me to a compliance with her wishes, and was much enraged when I refused. I also confess that several times I had intercourse with Susan and other women named Nichols, giving them money and other presents. I would at times join Georgiana in threatening to expose me, and get me imprisoned. I had for many years practiced as a doctor. Wishing to qualify myself for further practice I thought, at a cost of \$2.50, a treatise on female diseases, and largely treating on child-bearing and midwifery, illustrated with drawings describing the organs of the female system. Unfortunately Georgiana and her mother got possession of the book, but I soon recovered it. Georgiana insisted on having and further perusing it. I declined, and she threatened to have me arrested and sent to the State Prison for an alleged outrage. She had often done this before, and now renewed her threats in much anger."

He went on to say that Georgiana caught him altering a \$1 bill to a \$10, and again threatened to have him arrested. He finally told her if she would meet him in the woods at a particular spot he would give her the book. She met him as agreed, and finding her still persistent in exposing him, he seized her by the throat and strangled her.

She struggled but for a short time and was dead. I carried her body a long distance toward the swamp, and when within a few rods of the swamp, I buried her. I separated the body from the head, and I did this to gain some knowledge of the human system while she was alive. I carried the head to the house of a Mr. Mills late in the evening I found the door fastened. I heard in the house a moaning sound as if of a child. I opened the door and got in. I found several children lying on the floor, and one girl sitting on the floor, who seemed to be very sick. On examining her I concluded she could not live till morning. I went to procure a body to examine for surgical purposes. I resolved to kill her, and took her to the woods at some distance and there strangled her. On examining the body I found one hip and part of the spine deformed, and partly on this account, but more because of a feeling of remorse and fear, that I could not live till morning. I then went to the woods until morning.

Then he confessed to numerous thefts, defrauding an insurance agency, his hypocrisy, &c., and it is doubtful if he has told of all his villainies. There was no sympathy felt for him, and the people of New Hampshire breathed easier when they knew this monster was dead.

FOLLOWING the example of City Solicitor Healy of Boston, a prominent lawyer of Chelsea seeks notoriety by giving as his opinion that the business done by the school committee of that city is illegal, because three of its members are ladies. Will Chelsea follow the example of its neighbor and ignominiously expel these three ladies, with whose services on the board no fault has been found, after they have been chosen to their positions by a large majority? It would seem as though three was an unlucky number in such matters as these.

THE Siamese twins have been dissected, and it was found that the band which united them contained a fatty cord running from the stomach of each. Had this band been severed in life the death of each would have immediately followed. There were several abnormal growths in their bodies rarely found in human anatomy.

It is proposed to reduce the U. S. army from forty regiments to thirty-two, the whole to embrace 24,000 men. Previous to the rebellion ten thousand men constituted the whole force. Twenty millions of dollars a year can be saved if this reduction should be made.

THE National Grange has annulled the charter of the Boston grange, because the latter was composed chiefly of grain dealers who were thought to be inimical to the interests of the order. It won't do to be so particular with every grange, however.

OUR lively Senator, Mr. Lathrop, made a speech last week proposing to abolish the annual election sermon, and when the time for electing next year's preacher came on Lathrop received two votes. That's encouraging to aspiring youth.

A TEN hour bill has started out in our State Senate, which has enacted that women and minors under 18, shall not be employed in manufactories more than 10 hours a day. Why not let the law apply to everybody?

THE Massachusetts House did not stand on the order of its going for rescinding the Summer censure resolutions. It voted 113 to 49 on Friday last week to rescind and now about everybody feels a little better about it.

Solomon Adams and Edward Neer were killed by a boiler explosion at Mutual, Campaign county, Ohio, this week.

TEMPERANCE is still the exciting theme throughout Ohio and Indiana, and it is slowly spreading into other States, although apparently with less success. The State Grange of Ohio has endorsed the movement of the praying women, ministers take it for their text, the press devote whole columns to details, and every one is interested. Practical results have been accomplished in many places, where the saloons have either been permanently or temporarily closed, and better still, the moral sentiment of the people against liquor selling has been strongly aroused, and this will undoubtedly prove of much, more permanent value by reducing the number of patrons than any temporary closing of saloons could do. These women meet at all sorts of customers in their campaign. One man named Van Pelt, a notorious rum-seller, held out for a long while, but at last yielded, destroyed his liquors, shut up shop, and is now an apostle of temperance. Another man, Charles Gilcher, gave vent to his feelings in this manner:—"By tam, dem voomans shall not put up dem tam carbuncles (meaning tabernacles) on mine sidewalks, and I don't make any compromise (meaning compromise) wid dem neder." In the village of Greenfield, Ohio, a day of temperance thanksgiving has been appointed. In that place 8 of the 15 saloons have been closed, and the business of the others greatly diminished. In one instance an injunction has been served on the ladies, and counter-suits have also been instituted against the saloonists by the wives of the tipplers.

MR. DAVES only made a mistake of thirty millions of dollars in giving a list of Government expenses, last week. But the treasury department furnished the figures and is entitled to the blame or credit whichever it may be.

A curious breach of promise case was decided at Providence on Wednesday. The evidence showed that the young man gave the girl a bowl of beer, some months ago, after which she went to sleep, and on waking the youth promised to marry her. Subsequently, the girl was about to become a mother, when the young man told her he wasn't ready to marry. The Court gave the girl \$3,000 damages.

Sad is the story of Henry E. Bowers, a New Haven youth who fell in love with an Indianapolis belle at school in New Haven. She went home some time ago, and a correspondence and then an engagement followed; but a few days ago he and a party of friends went to Indianapolis in a palace car chartered for the purpose, with lots of presents for the wedding, but when he got there the girl refused to have him.

A panting deer, chased by hounds, came up to a woodman working near the Umpqua (Oregon) bridge, and after he had driven the dogs on, the deer remained with him all the day, allowing him to fondle it, and appearing to feel a lively sense of gratitude for the man's interference in its behalf.

B. K. Bruce, the negro Senator from Mississippi, was born a slave in Prince Edward county, Virginia, and was a porter on Mississippi river steam-boats. He attended school in Oberlin, Ohio, and has an ordinary knowledge of grammar. He is a favorite with the colored men of Mississippi.

The ex-King of Naples, who lost with his throne the possession of four splendid palaces, now resides in a humble dwelling near Paris. He recently said to a sympathizer that exile has its afflictions, but it has also its lessons, and they had been profitable to him.

As Tweed was sitting with his fellow convicts at dinner, some of the ceiling of the room suddenly fell. The Blackwell's Island doctor looked up and jokingly observed, "That must be some of Garvey's plastering;" whereat Garvey's whilom ring partner smiled audibly.

Dr. Dio Lewis has telegraphed to the friends of the temperance movement in Worcester that he will begin work in that city on the 1st of March. Stephen S. Foster is at work organizing a committee to assist the doctor as soon as he arrives.

Douglas county, Oregon, boasts of a lady who has been married nine times, has eight husbands living, and is living with none of them. More than this, she has a daughter who is now twenty-three years of age, and living with her third husband.

A company has been formed among the dairymen of Bear river, Humboldt county, Cal., for the purpose of manufacturing codfish, or butter, from the fat of the seal or sea lion.

During a revival at Green Bay, a citizen is reported to have risen and asked to be forgiven for having been a subscriber to the Chicago Times for nineteen years.

The Hoosiers like work when it is disguised as fun. The other day twenty of them handled over thirty-five cords of wood to get a rabbit, which escaped after all.

A young man from Providence went to work in Westport, where he was an entire stranger, and in one month he was sued for breach of promise.

Samuel Leaneus, who eloped from Webster, with a widow, tempered his meanness. He left a deed conveying all his property to his wife.

A phenomenon of the season in London is the utilization of Sunday for the delivery of lectures on science.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICES.
Charles Hall, the Springfield crockery man, promises a good deal, but he is able to back up what he says.
E. J. Wood is agent for Pratt's Celebrated Astrol Oil, the best and safest oil in the market. A supply just received from the manufacturer.

....The winter term of our public schools closes on Tuesday next.

....A Thayer has sold his Fish Market and stock to H. A. Bernald of Collins Depot.

....Some ice houses are not filled yet. What shall we cool our punches with next summer?

....Our district court went into operation a year ago last July, and has already had before it 330 cases.

....An extra train Tuesday night took a car-load of Palmer people to Monson to hear the Hyers Sisters.

....Geo. A. Randall, the State Constable, has resigned his office, and proposes to "go West," to engage in business.

....Considerable building is planned for the spring, and contractors are already engaging help for the season.

....Meetings for prayer for the Commonwealth were held at the Cong. church Sunday evening and Monday afternoon.

....From Nichols & Allen of Pittsfield, we have received a very pretty song entitled "Blanche," for which they will accept our thanks.

....People are beginning to talk about our next town meeting and town officers for the ensuing year. There is considerable uneasiness manifested concerning the latter.

....We have just broken into a cabbage that we raised last summer, and found inside twenty perfectly-formed heads with several others just started, and now we are a candidate for the grange.

....The wife of Dr. Ruggles at Three Rivers fell down a pair of cellar stairs a few days ago, striking her head against the cellar wall. Her skull was slightly fractured by the fall, but she is recovering.

....A parish meeting of the Cong. Society will be held next Friday, the 27th, at 3 1/2 p. m., to consider the matter of a parsonage, and paying the debt of the society. All interested are requested to be present.

....The lightning express for New York, Wednesday noon, was delayed near West Warren an hour and a half by the local freight which had run off the track, and a wrecking train from Springfield was sent for to repair damages.

....Frank M. Murdock of Thorndike, died very suddenly last Tuesday morning from congestion of the lungs. He had been out the day before. He had just become a member of the Masonic Mutual Benefit Association, and his wife draws \$1600 as the result.

....John Barnes and B. W. Morse went on a little fishing excursion the other day, and inside of two hours caught a string pickerel weighing 35 lbs. Some of the largest weighed 3 lbs. each. They don't tell the quiet nook where they drew out those bounding fellows.

....Thomas Smith wandered out from the town of Springfield last Saturday, looking after the State Constable, and getting thirsty drank considerable "diluted water" at our refreshment saloons. He was then invited by one of our officials to see the daily tribunal, where he was so much edified by the proceedings that he presented the Judge with \$12.10, as a tribute of respect to his judicial wisdom.

....H. H. Perry, the carpenter, has purchased an additional lot on Central street, adjoining his former one, and has made some improvements in his house. He has commenced the erection of a house for Horace Kimball on Maple street, the cellar being already laid. By the way, our advertising columns show that he has taken a partner, and H. H. Perry & Co. will hereafter continue the business.

....The Young People's Literary Club give an entertainment at the Cong'l. vestry next Friday evening, the 27th inst., when they will present the popular drama, in two acts, entitled "Among the Breakers," to be followed by the farce, "A Drop Too Much." Good music has been engaged for the occasion, and the Club will endeavor to make the first exhibition every way worthy the patronage of the public.

....Next Tuesday, the State Grange holds its first annual meeting in this village, at the Antique Hall, for the election of officers, etc. We understand that all grangers can attend the meetings, and no matter of granges can vote. There will probably be some of the meetings which will be open to the public. It is expected that nearly every grange in the State will be represented.

....The lecture by Dr. Jewett Monday evening drew a large and attentive audience to the vestry, and the Doctor made some pretty sharp points and excellent arguments. The Reform Club hope that he will be able before long to come again, and give his "scientific course" of four lectures on "Intemperance." The next meeting of the Club will be held to-morrow (Sunday) evening, and is intended to be a mass meeting of the citizens.

....Mrs. Wm. Merriam's Cough Syrup, advertised in this paper, is becoming very popular hereabouts. Mrs. Merriam used to live in Palmer, and all who know her have great confidence in her remedy. Being a very excellent and kind-hearted woman, she was influenced to make this remedy for the sole purpose of relieving suffering, and for a long time gave it away to all who applied. Lately the demand has been so great that she has been obliged to charge for it, and we are glad to learn that it is having a rapid sale.

....Everybody knows Mr. Page the "pop-corn man" who visits our town cattle shows every year, and makes himself so popular with every one, and they will be interested to know of his narrow escape from annihilation a few days ago. He was discussing rents with a man who became angry and drew a pistol on him. But just then, Page called out sharp and quick, "pop-corn," and instantly the man's anger vanished, the pistol dropped, and he cried out "Don't do so no more." The above story may all be a hoax but it came from good authority.

....Todd Weaver & Co. have opened a new store in Shawville for the manufacture and sale of patent medicines, drugs, etc. They are enterprising young men, and we wish them success.

THORNDIKE.

The ladies of the Cong. society in Thorndike will hold a festival next week Wednesday and Thursday evenings, the 25th and 26th, at the vestry of the church. The Old Folks from Palmer, under the lead of Chas. H. Brakenridge, will give a concert in the church in the interest of the festival, on Wednesday evening, if the weather is favorable—if not on Thursday evening without fail.

WILBRAHAM.
Prof. Luther T. Townsend, of the Boston Theological Seminary, is to exchange with Rev. T. W. Bishop, pastor of the Methodist church, Feb. 22.—There is quite a religious interest in the Academy. Crowded meetings are held every night for nearly an hour. The Praying Band of the school conduct the meeting Sabbath evenings in the church.—Since Dr. Torjee has been here, Prof. Hastings has made many improvements, one of which is a new choir in the Sabbath school, which chants the Psalms responsively with the other choir.—In Fisk Hall, Tuesday evening, a Mr. Kimpton gave a lecture on "Education." He told the students that all the eminent men since the Revolutionary War were highly educated, most of them College graduates. He presented scores of facts and figures of which most all the students took notes.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.
The praying band from Springfield which has been holding a series of meetings in the M. E. church here for three weeks, are still in full blast. The anxious seats are filled every evening, and "still they come." Conversations are recorded by the score, and the anxious are legion. The band consists of some fifteen, all of which have been here, ten being present last Sabbath. They conduct all the services, and do not like to be interfered with, not even by the clergy. Praying, singing, exhortation, and any amount of persuasion and urging to come to the anxious seat forms the program. It is not known how long the meetings will continue. As these meetings are not union meetings, they are confined to the M. E. church, who have the thing in their own way, and as yet there is no scramble for the "loaves and fishes."—There seems to be some fears that Rev. E. B. Chamberlain will close his labors with the Cong. society here on the 1st of April. Rumor says he has been preaching as a candidate in Vermont and expects a call; but time will only tell.—The Catholic minister (?) put in an appearance Wednesday night. He is said to be after Dea. Duffee, who took part in a Protestant meeting not long since. Some say it will take \$10 to pardon the transgression.—It is said that Edwin Wall has had a legacy from England by the death of an uncle, report says \$25,000. He has been so expecting for years. We hope it is true.—The Ravine mill is running out its stock and will close next week. S. W. MONSON.

There has been considerable religious interest in both churches in this place for which Christians are thankful. In connection with the Methodist church, there has been the conversion of a man who shows by his Christian zeal and activity, that he desires to be faithful to God, and useful in the highest degree to his neighbors. About the 24th of this month, the Rev. E. Davis, an Evangelist of Reading, is expected to begin a series of special religious meetings at the Methodist church, to be held both afternoons and evenings. All come and help in this work of Christ. Christians are praying for a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Monson, and for all the people of this place. Geo. Carroll has brought a fine pair of bay mares into town. They are from the lot recently brought to Palmer by Charles Dewey, and are considered about as good patterns of horses as have been seen in this vicinity. It is rumored that S. E. Cushman will hold the ribbons when they are exercised. Although Gen. Grant is said to drive the best four-in-hand in Washington, yet this pair and the accompanying turnout will probably equal the Washington affair for that locality, when we compare the localities and owners.—John C. Maguire housed 1000 tons of splendid ice in three days, and contemplates putting in a little more in anticipation of a dry spell next summer.—Albert Norcross has sold his house and several acres of land to a Mr. Davis of Belchertown.—S. F. Cushman has sold his house and lot opposite Hon. T. F. Packard's to Albert Norcross.—Several parties are conferring with carpenters in regard to estimates for building, and taken altogether business is putting on an active appearance for the coming season.—The Monson Brass Band did themselves credit at their concert last Wednesday evening.

....There is talk of forming a Good Templars' lodge next Monday evening, and 30 or 40 names have gone on to an application for the same.—The Monson Harmony Society have secured G. B. Bartlett of Boston for two evenings of dramatic entertainments, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 26th and 27th, in Green's Hall. The reputation of both Harmony Society and Mr. Bartlett is sufficient to guarantee a good entertainment.

WARE AND VICINITY.
....Ware River Railroad stock sold in Boston last week at 90.
....The high school closes in two weeks, at which time a class of three will graduate.
....Charles W. Eddy is about to introduce steam into his job printing establishment.
....The young people of Warren will present "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at Brigham's Hall next Tuesday evening.

....Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield lectured on his "Tour in Europe" at Brigham's Hall Warren, last Wednesday evening.

....The Toleman homestead on Pleasant street, has been sold for \$2,700 to Edward W. Sargent, who will occupy the same.

....The socialable Ladies Benevolent Society was held on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. S. J. Wetherell.

....The Masonic Fraternity, with their families and invited guests, held a pleasant social at Masonic Hall on Thursday evening.

....Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield preached at the Unitarian church last Sabbath afternoon. A Sunday school concert was held in the evening.

....Rev. C. L. Woodworth of Boston will preach at the East Cong. church Sabbath morning, and at the First Cong. church at the Center in the afternoon. He will present the claims of the American Missionary Association, and will probably speak at the Chapel in the evening.

....The concert of the Hyers Sisters troupe at Music Hall, Friday evening, drew a large and enthusiastic audience, which would have been still larger had the weather been favorable. Their singing was excellent.

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cellent, as were also the manipulations of the pianist, Mr. A. C. Taylor.

....Colonel A. W. Merriam of New Orleans, well-known as a scholar in this vicinity, died very suddenly from apoplexy on Wednesday morning at the age of 46. The news came to his relatives in Ware by telegram, but full particulars have not as yet been received.

....A meeting of citizens is called for Wednesday evening next, at Music Hall, to see about organizing a fire department, and to transact any other business properly connected with this subject. The meeting is an important one and should be fully attended.

....The Mass. Total Abstinence Society offer a prize of \$10 to the scholar in our high school, who shall write the best composition on "The Evil of Intemperance, and the Remedy"—the merit of the composition to be determined by the treatment of the subject and its grammatical construction. To all other scholars in town the society offers three prizes of \$5, \$3 and \$2 cash, for the three best compositions on the same subject, the merit of the composition to be determined by the treatment of the subject only. These are to be handed to the school committee on or before the first Wednesday in May.

[From the Springfield Union.]
That Village Church Story—The Other Side.

In a recent issue of your paper, there appeared the following item:
"In a village church, where a thousand miles away, there has been run on the rule or principle, by self-conceited impracticables, and where contentions are constant, the pastor, discouraged in his efforts, accepted a call to a larger and more flourishing parish in another State. This advancement was more than the 'hard shells' could patiently endure, and forthwith one of the officials wrote to a deacon of the distant church, in sledge-hammer style, exposing the sins and shortcomings of the pastor, and summing up the dark catalogue in three grave and undiplomatic charges—first, that he smoked; second, that he was a Mason; and, third, and most horrible, he played croquet! The good deacon of the distant church, upon receiving the letter, as he shows it to one and another, and wonders if it gives the correct measure of a Hampden county Christian, and all agree with him in thinking that it justifies the new pastor in accepting their call."

Feeling that the above statements are so grossly unjust as to demand some answer, we desire briefly to state that we have never, individually or officially, written to any person or persons in regard to said pastor. As stated, no known or any such letter has been written. In other and plainer words, the above charge is an unqualified falsehood, and we challenge proof to the contrary. We pass over the complimentary allusion to the "self-conceited impracticables," "hard-shells," etc., willing to bide the judgment of the Highest as to whom has acted on the "rule or principle." Neither will we comment on the charming display of Christian love manifested in the above item, but will only say that, while we do not desire to enter into any controversy, neither do we shun a thorough "raking over" of the past, and if it comes to this we have no fears as to the results of the ordeal. We sign ourselves, as being the only "officials" of said church.

THE DEACONS AND CLERK
of "a village church," &c.

A shocking tragedy has been enacted at Halifax, about six miles from Bridgewater. Two bachelor brothers named Sturtevant and a maiden lady named Buckley were murdered Sunday night. Wm. M. Sturtevant, a nephew of the murdered men, has been arrested and held for trial on charge of committing the triple murder.

Rev. Geo. W. Phillips of Worcester, a graduate of Amherst College in 1861, is mentioned in connection with the professorship of English literature and rhetoric, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Prof. L. Clark Seelye. A \$5000 professorship is enough to tempt most any man.

The bridge at the Beaver, North Adams, recently damaged by floating ice, broke down on Monday when a coal team was passing over it, precipitating the establishment into the water; one of the horses was killed, the other animal and the driver being rescued by the bystanders, the latter considerably injured by his fall.

John Simson of Putnam, Vt., while running a steam saw mill last week, fell upon the circular saw, which struck him on the hip. Some workmen rushed to his rescue, but in pulling him off the saw, his head fell over and was saved almost off. Of course death was instantaneous.

West Warren promises to be unusually active the coming season. Messrs J. S. & E. Wright & Co., are to build a mill there. Several minor buildings are to be erected, and a large and permanent accession to the industrial population of the place is expected.

In Illinois there is some talk of making drunkenness upon the part of railroad train hands punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for three years, and the party responsible for murder if death ensues from drunken carelessness.

Spotted Tail, the Indian chief, says he wants to live like the white men, and needs oxen, plows and mowing machines. He also wants more stores at his reservation, so that his people will not have to pay so high for what they buy.

The Good Templars of Michigan have resolved, through their State Grand Lodge, to defend whiskey-selling against taxation, on the ground that taxing liquor-selling is a recognition by the law of an illegal traffic.

An Irishman named Lawrence Norton was murdered at the Boston Highlands Saturday night, receiving five stabs. Ten persons, including John Barry, at whose house the murder was committed, are under arrest.

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The maple sugar season has opened in Vermont.

Pennsylvania is valued at seven thousand millions.

The Republican calls Springfield a provincial city. "So very humble."

Pittsburg snow looks like foundry sand about three minutes after it falls.

Eighteen children have died of scarlet fever in Milton, Vt., within a few weeks.

Springfield has \$1,133,000 in church and charitable property which is not taxed.

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1873, it cost \$1,045,860 to clean the street of New York.

A sensitive Californian killed himself because the Legislature wouldn't change his name.

A young lady died of heart disease in Rev. De Witt Talmage's church, Brooklyn, Sunday evening.

A party of students from Yale, Harvard and Amherst Colleges propose a trip to Europe this summer.

Amherst ladies propose visiting every family in the town to obtain signatures to the temperance pledge.

Two small Virginians, aged respectively five and seven, killed themselves, the other day, drinking brandy.

New-fashioned wedding cards are long and narrow, and have the initials or monograms in the left hand corner.

The Lee folks are after that State aid to the Lee and New Haven Railroad, which the Governor kicked over last winter.

A young man at Kingston, N. H., recently died from the effects of a cold contracted in being immersed on a stormy Sunday.

The funeral expenses of men killed in the Hoosac Tunnel, and paid by the contractors, have amounted to \$10,000 in five years.

It is stated that 250 persons who have been adjudged insane by the courts of Illinois were made so by the great fire in Chicago.

A piece of rock used for macadamizing the streets of Grass Valley, Cal., was recently picked up and found to contain \$20 worth of gold.

Justice Hainen of Chicago has decided that editors are professional men, and that their scissors, paste pot, &c., cannot be seized for debt.

Richard Goodman of Lenox and Alexander Hyde of Lee, both practical and well known farmers, strongly oppose the grange movement.

A Worcester milkman was fined, Monday, \$50 and costs for selling adulterated milk, which contained 20 per cent. of water and carbonate.

The State constables make things lively in Taunton. On Thursday last two saloons were cleared out, and on Friday two more were visited.

The man who prophesied an open winter is much discouraged, and thinks of writing an essay upon refrigerators, to be illustrated with cold cuts.

It is stated that not one dollar has been missed from the department of the Comptroller of the Currency, at Washington, where women are employed.

Gottlieb Rieger, 20 years of age, and employed in the Huck cigar factory at Springfield, was instantly killed on Wednesday by falling down the elevator.

The laborers on the Lowell and Andover Railway are on a strike for more pay. They complain that one dollar per day only pays their board, leaving no surplus.

H. M. Phillips of Springfield has been appointed one of the Governor's staff, and he feels so happy over it that he gave his friends a supper at Parker's on Thursday.

The Southbridge Journal states that the railroad authorities ask \$8000 per annum for the use of the car room large enough for a mail agent between Southbridge and East Thompson.

"Hard times parties" are in vogue Down East. The young people meet at each others' houses, and pay five cents apiece, which entitles them to apples, doughnuts, cards and kissing.

A clergyman being invited to open a Legislature with prayer, uttered the following ambiguous petition: "May corruption and sin of every form be as far from every member of this Legislature as Thou art."

The Methodist Society of Westfield is to be divided and another organization formed. The church property is worth \$26,000, with an indebtedness of \$8000, and the members of the new society ask \$5000 toward purchasing a new site.

It is no wonder that invalids lose faith in all specifics, when so many worthless medicines are advertised for the cure of various diseases; but which, when tried, are "found wanting." We have yet to learn, however, of the first failure of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, to cure coughs, colds, and Pulmonary disease.

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(With premium.)
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Oliver Optic's Magazine, " 3.00, " 3.75
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American Artisan, " 3.00, " 4.00
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Peabody Medical Institute, No. 4 Bulfinch Street, Boston.—When a thing is counterfeited, it is a proof of its excellence and popularity. The Peabody Medical Institute is a case in point. Founded in good faith many years ago, and the only establishment of the kind in the country, its success and ever-increasing popularity finally caused the name (Medical Institute) to be pirated and adopted by a lot of infamous quacks, empirics and pretenses who have been endeavoring to cheat the public by sailing under a stolen flag. The founder of the Peabody Medical Institute can in no way be held responsible for the mistakes of these impostors, and well-known curative establishment and legitimate medical institution which has been from the start specially devoted to the treatment of nervous derangements and affections from whatever cause proceeding. During its existence there have been issued from its several medical publications, quite recently, a book on Diseases of the Nervous System, which have almost a world-wide circulation and popularity. These publications sufficiently attest the high character of the institution under whose patronage these medical works have been published. Meanwhile it is gratifying to know that several of the impostor charlatans, who have stolen its name to cover their nefarious practices are getting their deserts in the penal institutions of the Commonwealth.—*Boston Herald.* 4w46

BORN.

At Palmer, 16th, a son to W. H. CLARK.
At Longmeadow, 10th, a son (Oliver F.) to G. A. and wife, and grandchild to Oliver Field.
At Andover, 12th, a son to ROYAL G. THURSTON, and grandchild to Ezra Cary.
At Westfield, 13th, a daughter to SHERMAN ADAMS, editor of the News Letter.

DIED.

At Westfield, 17th, FRANK M. MURDOCK, 30.
At Ware, 16th, LEVI HAMMOND, 62.

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Two and one-half miles from this village, 1/2 mile from church and school, contains 65 acres, divided into mowing, tillage, pasture and wood land. Good buildings, and a good well of water at the house. A brook runs through the farm and barnyard. Good apple orchard—makes cider every year. Also, 1 horse, 5 cows, tools, &c.
E. H. BAIRRETT.
Palmer, Feb. 17, 1874.

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CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS,
Central Street, Palmer, Mass.

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SASH, DOORS AND BLINDS,
At Lowest Prices.
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CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST!
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We have bought the large and valuable stock of Dry Goods in the store formerly belonging to H. Bushnell & Co., 322 Main street, at a very large discount from invoice cost, for cash, and will offer it at decided bargains for thirty days only, at their old stand. We have increased it up with some \$1000 IN NEW GOODS!

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8000 boxes Initial Note Paper saved from the fire.
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Dr. J. P. FILLER—Being sworn before me, I certify that the above facts are true, and that Dr. FILLER'S VEGETABLE RHEUMATIC SYRUP, I guarantee it an infallible cure for Nerve, Kidney and Rheumatic diseases. Sworn to this 20th April, 1874.
F. A. OSBOURN, Notary Public, Phila.

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Cures by its mild, healing properties, to which the disease yields when the system has been put in perfect order with Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which should be taken earnestly to correct blood and system, which are always at fault, and act specifically upon the diseased glands of the nose and its chambers. Catarrh Remedy should be applied with Dr. Pierce's Nasal Douche, with which medicine can be carried high up and perfectly applied to all parts of passages and chambers in which sores and ulcers exist, and from which discharge proceeds. So successful has this course of treatment proven, that the proprietor offers \$500 Reward for a case of "Cold in Head" or Catarrh which he cannot cure. The two medicines with instrument, for \$2, by all druggists. 4w51

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BITTERS.

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Also, to purify and enrich the blood. Carefully prepared from the best Vegetable Medicines—a great success—by the proprietor of

COLTON'S SELECT FLAVORS.
Ask your druggist or dealer for them. Price 10 cts. per bottle.
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NOTICE!
MR. CHARLES FOWLER
Will take Possession of my Store March 1.

He has had many years' experience, will keep

A LARGE STOCK OF GOODS,
And endeavor to satisfy the wants of the public as well as they have ever been.

I WANT AS MANY BILLS PAID DURING THE PRESENT MONTH AS POSSIBLE.

Mr. RICKETTS will remain in charge of the books at the store during the month of March, to the estate of Daniel W. Simson and Charles S. Simson, both of Springfield, Adelia V. Simson of Palmer, and Ida Bell Simson of Chicopee, and all in said county, minors, Greeting: Whereas, Ephraim B. Gates, the guardian of said minors, has presented his petition for license to sell certain real estate therein specified, of his said wards for investment: You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said county, on the first Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said guardian is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed at Palmer, three weeks successively, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court. Witness, William S. Shurtliff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

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The business will be continued at the old stand, and a continuance of old patronage is solicited.
H. W. CHAPIN.
Monson, Feb. 12th, 1874.

WHEN YOU GO TO SPRINGFIELD DO NOT FAIL TO VISIT

P. O. P. C. H.
350 MAIN STREET.

At all times you can find there bargains in many kinds of goods. We are constantly buying JOB LOTS and closing out ODD LOTS of CLOTHING at much below regular prices, which are just as good to the customer; but we had rather close them cheap for cash than keep them on our counter. You can often save your fare on a pair of pants or a coat. Our one price system, which we were the first to establish in Western Massachusetts, has already made our house the popular clothing mart of Springfield. COME AND SEE US, WHETHER YOU BUY OR NOT.

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DURING THE MONTH OF
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For the next 30 days.

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PRICES LOWER THAN THE LOWEST.
—HE INVITES AN EARLY CALL.

Boots and Shoes, the best remind them, His will equal any made, And if daring leave behind them, Bright names on the scroll of trade.

Patrons, then be up and doing, With an understanding fair, Still achieving, still pursuing, Purchase Boots and Shoes that wear.

AT SHAW'S,
117 State St., Springfield.

GILL & HAYES
Have been very busy about the disposal of their pictures for their late "Art Union," and would thank every person who holds tickets to present them and get the pictures they draw.

WE HAVE AN ENDLESS STOCK OF
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PICTURE, PICTURE FRAME,
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BOOK LINE,
AND ALWAYS INVITE YOUR ATTENTION.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
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PURE TEA!

Tea free from Poison!
Tea Unadulterated,
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Than it is possible with parties whose Teas have paid a half dozen profits or commissions before reaching the retailer.

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It has no equal for the certain, speedy cure of coughs, colds, sore throat, hoarseness, loss of voice, shortness of breath, bronchitis, croup, diphtheria, and all affections of the throat and lungs. One trial of this remarkable Syrup will convince any person that it is the most reliable, and certain remedy for the throat and lungs ever offered in this country. Hence, I place it before the public in full faith that it will save thousands from Pulmonary Consumption and a Premature Grave.

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CORNELIUS KELLHER,
Thorndike, Feb. 4, 1874.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.
The co-partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers, under the firm name of Clark & Green, is hereby dissolved. All persons having claims against said firm will be paid by Green Brothers, who succeed said Clark & Green.

T. P. CLARK,
JOHN B. GREEN.
Ware, Jan. 30, 1874.

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For sale in quantities to suit purchasers, by

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KNOX BUILDING,
Palmer, Jan. 1, 1873.

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SCISSORS & SHEARS of good Quality

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A GOOD LINE OF

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At Low Prices for Cash.

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Can be bought upon Monthly Payments of FIVE DOLLARS. FORTY FIVE THOUSAND more

SINGER MACHINES
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OVER ONE QUARTER OF THE ENTIRE
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Money.
Money borrowed is a foe
Yelled in kindly seeming;
Money wasted is a friend
Lost beyond redeeming;
Hoarded, it is like a guest
Won with anxious seeking,
Giving nothing for his board
Save the care of keeping;
Spent in good, it leaves a joy
Twice its worth behind it;
And who thus has lost it here,
Shall hereafter find it.

When the whale's in the wit's out.
When is a young lady like a whale?
When she's ponting.
No other living thing can go so
slow as a boy on an errand.
A little girl in Des Moines wants to
know why there are no dolls.
Love is an egotism of two. The first
sigh of love is the last of wisdom.
If a saloon-keeper gets rich it is be-
cause he makes a good many bar gains.
There over 24,000 idiots in this
country, who are acknowledged as such.
A German divine is spending ten
days in this country to write a book on it.
A New Hampshire town defrayed the
expenses of providing a municipal hearse by
giving a fancy dress ball.
Why is a person who never lays a
wager as bad as a regular gambler? Be-
cause he is no better.
The Patrons of Husbandry in Wis-
consin have started a newspaper entitled
the Mowing Machine.
The Burlington (Iowa) Daily speaks
of a couple "resolving themselves into a
committee of two, with power to increase
the number."
The gushing local of Brown's Re-
publican, Bellefonte, Pa., writes: "Pretty
-That black-eyed maiden that 'keeps-a-
peepin' in at our office window."
A man has been boasting that he
had been married for twenty years and had
never given his wife a cross word. Those
who know him says he didn't dare to.
Jones is a man who takes matters
humorously. When his best friend was
blown into the air by a "bustin' boiler,"
Jones cried after him, "There you go my
es-teamed friend!"
A young author reading a tragedy
perceived his auditor very often pull off his
hat at the end of the line, and asked him
the reason. "I can't pass an old acquain-
tance," replied the critic, "without civility."
They have dead-head suicides out
West. At La Crosse, Wisconsin, recently,
a man entered a store and inquired the
price of a pistol. While examining the
weapon, he slipped in a cartridge and blew
his brains out.
A Pennsylvania manufacturing es-
tablishment has begun discharging men for
telling falsehoods. The New York Mail
thinks that this plan, if generally carried
out, would be apt to paralyze the industries
of the country.
Two Irishmen in prison—one for
stealing a cow, the other for stealing a
watch. "Hullo, Mike, and sure what
o'clock is it?" said the cow-stealer. "An
sure," said the watch-stealer, "I've no
time-piece handy, but suppose it's just
about malking time."
The suffering lad who infests the
neighborhood of the up-town hotels, bare-
footed, these cold nights, appealing for
charity, deserves encouragement. He takes
two great risks, first of catching cold by
going bare-footed, and second of losing his
shoes and stockings, which he leaves in a
neighboring doorway while he pleads his vo-
cation.
A recently married gentleman in
Holyoke took a letter from the post office
addressed to his wife, one day recently.
Not being used to seeing the name of Mrs.
Jr., he immediately posted it to his
mother, who happened to be away off in
Maine. His little mistake dawned upon
him after he got home, but he didn't dare
to tell his wife about it.
Some useful lessons or examples
may be found in the most simple oc-
currences. At the Terre Haute depot re-
cently, an old lady attempted to get off
while the cars were in motion. A gentleman
standing near the door prevented her.
"Let her go," exclaimed a kind-hearted
passenger; "if she gets killed, it will be a
warning to somebody else."
"John," said a clergyman to his
man, "you should become a teetotaler; you
have been drinking again to-day." "Do
you ever take a drop yourself, minister?"
"Yes, John; but you must look at your
circumstances and mine." "Very true,
sir," says John; "but can you tell me how
the streets of Jerusalem were kept so
clean?" "No, John, I cannot tell you that."
"Well, sir, it was just because every one
kept his sin door clean."

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IN PALMER
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WOOD & ALLEN'S
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New Goods are being received nearly ev-
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SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 1874.

The friends of Dr. Livingstone now concede that he is dead, and the English Government has granted a pension to his family.

The ten hour bill reported in the Senate some days ago was passed on Thursday by a vote of 18 to 14. The law is to go into effect May 1, and it punishes any employer who violates it with a fine of \$50 for each offence.

Why will not some enterprising Yankee buy Abby Smith's cows and drive them round on exhibition? An honest penny might be made in that way, especially if Abby could be induced to accompany the herd and tell her story.

The Springfield Republican nominates Charles Francis Adams for next President, and Newton Booth of California for Vice President. If the Republican was only lucky in its nominations there might be a gleam of hope for these candidates.

The anti-tax-paying convention at Worcester passed some strong resolutions last week, but it did not pay the taxes on the property which the collector had levied on. Abby and Julia Smith were there and told their simple story about their Alderney cows and the hard-hearted men of Glastonbury.

Don't go to New York or any other large city for work unless you are sure of a job before starting. Thousands are out of employment, and many are on the eve of starvation. The accounts from the laboring classes in New York are very gloomy, and people seeking labor there are warned to keep away.

The Supreme Court has decided that women have the right to serve on school committees which settles that question; but the Boston school committee which refused to allow women to serve on that board, disregards the opinion of the Supreme Court, and has voted 4 to 40 not to reconsider its vote of expulsion. There is nobody so blind as those who won't see, and this Boston committee appear to belong to that class.

If the appointment of Mr. Simmons to the collectorship at Boston is a State matter, Mr. Dawes is not justified in remaining neutral upon the question. He declares he won't have anything to do with appointments out of his own district, but here is a case in which the Massachusetts delegation are called upon to take issue, and with the exception of Dawes every member of the House is for or against Simmons. Mr. Dawes' excuse is not a valid one.

Here is a specimen of New York justice: A poor girl, Rebecca A. French, "beautiful and ladylike" was on Tuesday last sentenced to four years and six months of hard labor in the State prison, for stealing a gold watch chain. Last week on Thursday, John E. Simmons, a rich broker, who had murdered his partner in the street, in cold blood, was sentenced by another New York court to only three years and six months in State prison. It is cheaper to murder in New York than to steal, especially if the offender be a rich man.

There is really danger that the Grangers will spoil with their own efforts to accomplish good results. The Boston grange, which was ousted by the National Grange at St. Louis, proposes to start an independent organization in which it is encouraged by granges in several other States. At a meeting held Wednesday evening it declared itself a free and independent National Grange, and adopted resolutions of a popular kind, and called a convention at Springfield, March 6th, to complete the organization. With two national granges in full running order, the whole grange business will be sadly weakened, and their usefulness will be greatly impaired.

SIMMONS is not appointed collector of the port of Boston yet, and the chances are now against him. A committee of Boston citizens visited Washington this week and represented the case to the President and Mr. Boutwell. They did not receive any encouragement from either, but on Thursday Boutwell's committee reported against his confirmation, and in the Senate, which lacked two to make a quorum, 20 voted against Simmons to 15 for him. Both Boutwell and Sumner voted No. The Senate then adjourned for a quorum. It is now quite probable that a new name will be presented. Gen. Butler appears to be defeated as well as Simmons.

The investigation and economical streak which is running through Congress at this time branches off into cities and towns. The rapid increase of expenditures and taxation in nearly all the towns makes the taxpayers uneasy, and we notice that public meetings have been held in Northampton and Hyde Park to take measures for reducing taxation by economizing in expenditures. The reckless way in which money is voted at town meetings is discouraging, there being no previous investigation into the needs of the town. The Northampton and Hyde Park people have canvassed the whole matter in those towns by a committee, who will be ready to make suggestions at their annual meetings. They are disposed to cut down salaries where it can be done, and in some instances elect men who propose to serve for the honor of serving. Would not some preliminary meeting of tax-payers give a healthy tone to the coming town meeting in this town?

The subject of disposing of the dead is creating some discussion in Europe and this country. It is said that burying in the usual way is unhealthy for the living, and that great cemeteries taint the air for miles around, and that communities often suffer severely from sickness without knowing that it is caused by decaying bodies in a neighboring grave-yard. A London physician proposes to avoid all this by burning dead bodies in an oven, which can consume a body in a few moments so that the ashes would weigh only about 3 lbs. In every town he would have such a furnace erected at public expense, and the burning of each body would only cost \$2.50. The ashes could be preserved in an urn by the friends of the deceased, and it would save them the cost of grave-digging, casket, &c. The gases from the consuming body would all be carried off through a tall chimney and no bad effect would result. Some heathen nations burn their dead, but it will take a good while to convince civilized people that burial in the earth is not a better way to dispose of their deceased friends.

WORCESTER people observed last Tuesday as a day of fasting and prayer as a preparation for the advent of Dr. Dio Lewis and his Ohio temperance reform movement which it is expected will be inaugurated in New England some time next week. This movement is still spreading like wild-fire throughout the west, and the women are nearly ready to carry the war into the cities and large towns. New York and Washington are also excited over the breaking out of the movement in their midst, and in New York the larger-bier men propose to organize and appeal to the law to defend them against the crusade of the women. In Ohio the politicians are getting uneasy for fear that this will become a political question, and cause them trouble. In one city of Indiana \$3500 has been raised to enforce the law, and 12 saloons in the city have been closed for want of patronage. What will be the result of the introduction of this crusade into Massachusetts is a matter of interest to parties on both sides of the fence.

GEN. BUTLER made another attack upon the newspapers in Congress on Wednesday. He thought newspapers a curse to the community because they published accounts of murders, hangings, robberies and all that was bad. The great secret of his hatred of the press is the success which has attended it in opposing his ambitious schemes for getting into power. If people had been kept in ignorance as Butler desires they should be, he would have swung into the Governorship last fall; but the opposition he makes to newspapers only decreases his chances of ever reaching that goal. The people are too well enlightened to believe in discarding newspapers and all intelligence of what is going on in the world, even if Butler thinks they would be better off by doing so.

Brief Notes.
—A locomotive on the Erie Railway ran off the track on Sunday and fell down an embankment 75 feet, killing four men.
—There are over 14,500,000 children of the school age in the country. We spend annually for schools over \$95,000,000.
—Married ladies now allow their husband's names to appear on their visiting cards, because it is the fashion.
—A married lady under fourteen years of age in New Bedford gave birth to a nine pound baby Monday.
—A winter so financially hard has never been known in Lansingburg, N. Y., seven marriages having been postponed.
—John Uline, of Troy, N. Y., died of grief, having been compelled to pay a note which he had foolishly endorsed.
—A western enthusiast exclaims, "I'd rather be a doorknocker in the hall of the grangers than to shovel sugar in the stores of the middlemen."
—Revivalist Hammond sells his hymn-books through an agent, in the vestibules of the churches in which he preaches, at a weekly profit of about \$100.
—A boy of fourteen is a leader of a great religious revival in DeKalb county, Illinois. He is a fluent extorter, and his efforts are very successful in winning converts.

Amherst has twenty places where liquor is sold; boys carry whiskey to school with them, while a man who frequented one of the lower grogeries, on starting for a temperance meeting, recently, was caught, taken to the liquor shop and made beastly drunk.

J. A. Dresser, who has published the Webster Times seven and a half years, has sold out to Messrs Stodd & Cort. Dresser makes a good newspaper, and we shall miss him. Ill health is the cause of his departure.

Nine young ladies from St. Catherine's Convent took the white veil Monday afternoon, in the chapel of St. Joseph's Cathedral, Hartford, Rt. Rev. Bishop McFarland officiating.

The California Senate has passed a bill making women eligible to be school directors. This proves that the California Senate has more wit than the Boston school committee.

Lists of 8000 ransellers in New York city are now being prepared by the temperance crusaders, with a view of being waited upon. They say that they hope to close 4000 of them.

There are doubtless a good many liquor dealers who wish that Dio Lewis would exemplify the mortuary significance of his name.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

..... Ebenezer Brown takes the place of M. W. French as treasurer of the Palmer Savings Bank next week.

.....The speaking at the meeting of the Temperance Reform Club Sunday evening was all by home talent, but quite interesting.

.....The State Police have made two visits to our village this week, but we do not learn that they were successful in finding anything stronger than bottled soda.

.....James L. Rue, for some time past in the employ of Henry Jones, our village barber, will open a new shop on Monday, next, in the room over C. Hitchcock's shoe shop.

.....Dr. Bartholomew, a well-known dentist of Springfield, has just delivered a lecture in that city on "The Cause and Prevention of Dental Decay," and the daily press speak in high terms of it, as being an interesting and able treatment of a vitally important subject that is but little understood. We are informed that the doctor is willing to deliver the lecture before a Palmer audience, if our citizens will furnish him with a place in which to speak. We certainly hope he may "receive a call" to this village before long.

.....The Old Folks' Concert at the Cong. church last week Friday evening, under direction of Mr. C. H. Brackenbury, passed off very satisfactorily. The entertainment was given in the audience room of the church, and the attendance was good, considering the weather. Between the ancient pieces were sandwiched in a variety of songs, etc., which drew forth considerable applause, especially the excellent rendering of that pathetic ballad entitled "Old Sam Simons," by a quartette. After the "sing" the audience were invited to partake of a very harmless oyster stew in the vestry room, and the concert was closed.

THORNDIKE.
The Cong. society at Thorndike had a successful festival on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The Old Folks from the depot village gave a concert on the second night, in aid of the festival, which was highly enjoyed, and the people of Thorndike desire to express their thanks for this generous assistance. The receipts amounted to over \$200.

AN OPINION.
MR. EDITOR.—It is my opinion that the publication of the objects and purposes of the National Grange at St. Louis, Mo., is not only one of the best, but the very best information that has been given out in these United States since the days of 1776, even up to the present time, Feb. 24th, 1874. Much depends on the foundation of building institutions as well as in building other things in this world. The foundation of this institution is as sure as the earth and elements can make it, as enduring as the everlasting hills, and as firm as the rocks of the ages. Can anything more be asked of it but to carry out its principles? I think not. J. B. AUSTIN.
Warren, Feb. 25, 1874.

THREE RIVERS.
In the Grammar school at Three Rivers, the following scholars have been neither absent nor tardy during the entire winter term of twelve weeks: Carrie M. Buffing, George C. Chas. Chas. Chas. Chas. Chas. Ruggles. In the primary school the names of Flora Belle Hecox, Frankie Conner, Melville N. Haynes and Charlie P. Haynes are mentioned for similar punctuality. Mr. Geo. Burbeck of Dartmouth college, teacher of the grammar school at Three Rivers, was presented on Tuesday by a number of the pupils in token of the kind feelings that existed between the scholars and the teacher. The gift was presented with a pretty speech by John Powell, one of the scholars. Mr. Burbeck responded in a very feeling manner.

A SAD CASE.
Some two months ago a French family named Greenor, moved to North Monson and settled down in one of the houses south of the mills, near the canal. The family consisted of father, mother and three children, two of them boys, aged respectively 12 and 8 years. The father has been quite sick, caused by an actual want of sufficient food. In his extremity the neighbors helped him some, and the Selectmen, to whom they applied also gave them some assistance. On the 14th inst. the youngest son was drowned while crossing the canal, and the oldest boy narrowly escaped. The loss of the child almost drove the father crazy, and he again applied to the authorities for help, and was answered that in case more aid was needed the family must be sent to the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. The parents are said to be industrious and willing to work, and it seems to be a case which is worthy of immediate attention and relief by the good people of Monson.

REMARKABLE LONGEVITY.
A remarkable instance of vitality and long life is furnished in the family of Joseph Smith, who was born, formerly lived in this village on Tuesday. A son of the late John Smith, he was the son of Hugh Smith of Palmer, and was married at the age of 25, to Miss Sally Cooley, daughter of David Cooley of Palmer, aged 20, Dec. 11th, 1873. They had nine children, viz: Henry B., born August 16th, 1874; Chancy, Nov. 16th, 1875; Orrel, Oct. 19th, 1877; Sally, Oct. 16th, 1879; Orrel, June 17th, 1880; Martin, Aug. 23d, 1877; Elbridge, June 17th, 1880; Clarissa, Dec. 24, 1880; and Henry, Oct. 12th, 1885. These are now all living save Henry B., the oldest, who was drowned at Palmer, at the age of 19, Jan. 1883; and Martin who died Aug. 2d, 1885, aged nearly 61. Chancy is living at Middletown, N. Y., now nearly 88; Rufus is at Palmer, now 86; Sally, (Mrs. Hitchcock) at Palmer, now 83; Orrel (Mrs. Mendell Warner) at or near Rock River, Ill., now over 80; Elbridge at Springfield, now nearly 74; Clarissa, (Mrs. James B. Arms), formerly of North Deerfield, now of Webster, Mich., now nearly 71, and Henry, living at South Deerfield, now 68. The united ages of these seven who are living, is over 549 years.

MONSON.
A lodge of Good Templars was instituted Saturday evening, by Deputy A. E. Parsons of Springfield. There were 45 charter members, and the lodge starts off under the most favorable auspices. The number of the lodge is 171, but the name is not yet settled. The following officers were installed on the same evening: B. A. Day, W. C. T.; Susie A. Matthews, W. V. T.; Frank E. Morris, W. S.; D. J. Donovan, W. F. S.; Miss Frankie E. Swaine, W. T.; Rev. E. Guilford, W. C.; Henry Newton, W. M.; Ellen Brown, W. I. G.; S. F.

Thompson, W. O. G.; Mary E. Silverthorn, W. A. S.; Clara F. Welt, W. D. M.; Mattie M. Collins, W. R. H. S.; Geneva Burdick, W. L. H. S.; Charles E. Smith, P. W. C. T. The present winter has been an unusually lively one for Monson. Work has been plenty and amusements have abounded. It may well be doubted whether any old church was ever more thoroughly used than ours. How the bones of Dr. Ely and all good churches of his time must turn in their graves at thought of this desecration. Billiard hall, look-up, meat market, store, cobbler's, Grangers' resort, and, last of all, public hall.—A new post office is under contemplation, to be placed nearer the business center, probably on land of Munn Reynolds.—The Harmony Society gave two dramatic entertainments this week. Scandal mongers have unearthed "a splendid" old story. Great effort is being made to enkindle religious zeal in town.—Public experiments are on the tapis at the Academy chapel next Monday evening.—Business slackens at the straw shop.

DISTRICT COURT.
Saturday last was a lively day at the district court and the court room was packed full all the afternoon. The first case called on was for the larceny of a watch belonging to James Hickey, from the stable office of Oscar C. Marcy, and Sam Sandlin, letter known as Sam Slick, was proved to be the thief and sentenced to three months confinement under Sheriff Bradley's care, and Sam really seemed to like the idea of having a quiet vacation in a place with which he was already acquainted. The second case on trial was for assaulting and beating a wife, in which George W. Smith was the defendant. The quarrel grew out of a difference of opinion between Smith and his wife in regard to the proper treatment of a sick child. As usual in such quarrels the woman had the last word and so provoked the man that he struck her three blows on the head with a bill of wood. Judge Allen imposed for this offence a fine of \$10 and costs of trial, from which Smith appealed to a higher court. Next came the case of Sidney Kelson, a colored gent accused of stealing a pocket-book and contents from the person of Frederick Ashworth on the night previous. It was difficult to prove how much money was in the book when the owner missed it, but it was supposed to be somewhere near \$30, and a note for \$35. Kelson pleaded not guilty, and the evidence for the prosecution was very conflicting and unsatisfactory, bringing out some unpleasant facts concerning the circumstances connected with the robbery. Kelson was ordered to give bonds in \$500 for appearance at a higher court, failing in which he was sent to jail to await further trial. On Thursday Warren Kimball of Wendell, was tried for the larceny of a bundle from John Daniels, a switchman on the N. L. N. R. R., convicted, and sentenced to three months in the House of Correction.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.
Rev. E. B. Chamberlain, of the Cong. Society, presented a communication to his church and society last Sabbath asking for dismissal, having received a unanimous call to settle in his native town, Sharon, Vt. The society have called a meeting for Tuesday evening next to act on said communication. Should an ecclesiastical council deem it advisable the relations between him and the church and people in all probability will be dissolved. Mr. Chamberlain has preached here nearly six years, and now leaves with the good wishes of all. The society may go further and fare worse. The religious interest still continues in the Methodist church. The Springfield Praying Band has left, yet the meetings continue. Some twenty-three have been received on probation for six months. The interest has not been confined exclusively to the Methodists, as the Baptists claim some ten converts. Some fifteen were present at an inquiry meeting at Mr. Chamberlain's a few evenings since, and a good religious feeling exists in his church. Tuesday evening there was a temperance meeting at the Cong. church, at the M. E. church a prayer meeting, at the Baptist a meeting to prepare for a festival at Academy Hall, a dance, singing at G. R. Ormby's.—H. P. Simmons has left the employ of W. W. Stimson and will start the blacksmithing business for himself in Emmaus G. Day's shop.—Some little disturbance was apparent in Shay's saloon a few evenings since. At a late hour in the night a cry was heard to come from within, "Put him out," "Put him out," "Keep him in," "Let him remain," &c. He did come out somewhat unceremoniously, and left to "paddle his own canoe," which troubled him much to do. He had been dragged with a rope, and he was, however, relieved without a stomach pump, and he went home a sadder and wiser man.—The district schools have mostly closed, and have been pronounced a success, those in the center district triumphantly so.—John Newell, the venerable, aged 82 years, is getting up an "old folks' concert" in the North Parish, to come off next Monday. This will probably be his last, and we hope it will be his best.—The town clerk reports 63 births in town the past year, 15 marriage certificates returned (some 30 issued), and 32 deaths.

THE STATE GRANGE.
Thirty-six granges were represented at the meeting of the State Grange in this village on Tuesday. A son of the late John Smith, he was the son of Hugh Smith of Palmer, and was married at the age of 25, to Miss Sally Cooley, daughter of David Cooley of Palmer, aged 20, Dec. 11th, 1873. They had nine children, viz: Henry B., born August 16th, 1874; Chancy, Nov. 16th, 1875; Orrel, Oct. 19th, 1877; Sally, Oct. 16th, 1879; Orrel, June 17th, 1880; Martin, Aug. 23d, 1877; Elbridge, June 17th, 1880; Clarissa, Dec. 24, 1880; and Henry, Oct. 12th, 1885. These are now all living save Henry B., the oldest, who was drowned at Palmer, at the age of 19, Jan. 1883; and Martin who died Aug. 2d, 1885, aged nearly 61. Chancy is living at Middletown, N. Y., now nearly 88; Rufus is at Palmer, now 86; Sally, (Mrs. Hitchcock) at Palmer, now 83; Orrel (Mrs. Mendell Warner) at or near Rock River, Ill., now over 80; Elbridge at Springfield, now nearly 74; Clarissa, (Mrs. James B. Arms), formerly of North Deerfield, now of Webster, Mich., now nearly 71, and Henry, living at South Deerfield, now 68. The united ages of these seven who are living, is over 549 years.

.....The free evening school which has been supported by the town from the dog fund during the winter at the school-house on High St., closed on Friday evening of last week.

.....Rev. C. L. Woodworth, of Boston, preached in the chapel four successive evenings during the past week, commencing on Saturday evening. His sermons were of an interesting and impressive character, and it is to be hoped that much good may result therefrom.

.....The members of the two schools at Warren Centre gave a very enjoyable and well-conducted exhibition Friday evening last week, in the room formerly occupied by the high and grammar schools. The exercises consisted of declamations, recitations, readings, dialogues and music.

.....It is expected that Dr. Jewett, the veteran temperance lecturer, will speak in Warren next Thursday evening. An attempt will be made to form a permanent organization among the friends of temperance at that time. We trust that it will be more permanent than such societies have been in former times in this community.

.....That ugly cellar-hole adjoining the Ware Hotel is to be filled up the coming spring, which will be a decided improvement to the hotel surroundings. A very beautiful specimen of the Passion Flower has been received from Mr. Hilton, the Prospect street florist. This is a rare flower, unknown to most of those not familiar with the choicest plants.

.....A meeting to consider the question of organizing our fire department is called for this (Saturday) evening. It would seem important that a village of this size have some means of protection against fires (virtually we have none at present), and we trust there will be a full attendance at the meeting, that the whole subject will be thoroughly discussed, and some definite action be taken.

.....Lewis B. Sibley has disposed of his stock of boots and shoes to Calvin Hitchcock, who will carry on the business at the old stand in Sargent's block. Mr. Sibley removes to Cohoes, N. Y., where he already has a similar business in operation. We regret the loss of one of our most enterprising business men, but can most heartily wish him a successful career in the thriving city to which he removes.

.....There is an effort being made to form a mutual life insurance company with headquarters at Warren, on a plan similar to that of the Western Mass. Masonic Mutual Relief Association. Each member contributes the sum of \$1.10 on the death of one of their number, and if the membership reaches 2000, as it is fondly hoped, the advantages in favor of such an organization would be proportionally great. The enterprise is managed by Barnabas Snow.

.....Our annual town meeting opens at Music Hall on Monday next, opening at 10 o'clock a. m. Besides the choosing of town officers and the appropriating of money for various town purposes, the question of changing the time of holding the annual meeting from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in April will be brought forward. Various other matters of interest will be presented, and we doubt not that a large number of voters will be in attendance.

.....The attention of singers in this vicinity is called to the musical festival to be held in the Cong. church at Warren next week, commencing on Tuesday evening and holding three days, with public concerts Thursday and Friday evenings. The festival will be conducted by Solon Wilder of Boston, with Miss M. E. Darling and Miss Emma Hitchcock as pianists. The citizens of Warren provide entertainment for all singers from neighboring towns who join the festival.

LETTER FROM THE "PROVINCIAL CITY."
.....SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 18, 1874.
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.....Relly holds delightful parties at his dancing academy this winter—very dressy affairs, and seemingly agreeable to all. Rev. Mr. Mayo, the Unitarian clergyman, is giving a series of lectures on the Christian Home, at his church, the last being upon "Husband and wife, and their social relations—the family being the divine garden for the culture of heavenly love." His wife is the sister of Grace Greenwood (Mrs. Lippincott), who was her guest at Hayes' Hotel last Sabbath.

.....The temperance movement is gaining in strength and numbers. The well-known worker in this field, Daniel Charter, is bringing into the fold many hard cases that perhaps no one else could have persuaded and courage to try and lead into straight paths again.

.....Our leaves of romance come often into our lives when we least expect. A few weeks ago the papers teemed with the really wonderful history of a young millionaire in one of our largest stores. Now we hear of a young and lovely girl, fast binding into perfection; graceful and musical, who in her babyhood was adopted by a kind family, growing up as their own child, and surrounded by loving care and affection. The father had disappeared soon after the child's birth, and the young mother, dying with no relatives about her, gave her child to the friend that had been more than sister to her loneliness and grief. Now, after all these years, the father appears, with a fortune, made by lucky speculation, makes good his claim, and proposes to take his own and travel for the next few years. He had heard of his wife's death, ascertained that the child was in faithful hands, and so waited until the wheel of fortune turned in his favor. Whether the leaves of the future will be pleasant to read than those of the past remains to be told. Thus ends the first chapter.

.....A messenger aeronaut found his balloon on fire during an ascension in Toombsboro, Ga., the other day, and in consequence found himself on the ground shortly afterwards. He was jarred some.

.....The spring bonnet will be very large and will turn up on one side and down on the other, something in the cavalry style, they say. Of course the girls will look killing in them.

.....Old ladies of steady habits are driven almost mad by the valances of trying to wear clothing adapted to the variations of the climate, this season.

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.....Old ladies of steady habits are driven almost mad by the valances of trying to wear clothing adapted to the variations of the climate, this season.

.....It is said that many New Yorkers will rent their Newport cottages the coming season and summer in Europe.

.....The attention of singers in this vicinity is called to the musical festival to be held in the Cong. church at Warren next week, commencing on Tuesday evening and holding three days, with public concerts Thursday and Friday evenings. The festival will be conducted by Solon Wilder of Boston, with Miss M. E. Darling and Miss Emma Hitchcock as pianists. The citizens of Warren provide entertainment for all singers from neighboring towns who join the festival.

.....The much frequented "race course on State street" was last week in the full tide of its gaiety and animation. The days were bright and enjoyable. The sun shone out pleasantly from the sky above, and "all went merry as a marriage bell." The pretty colors that add finish to the almost universally worn black toilets of the ladies, fluted from out handsome sleighs and behind high-mettled horses, giving a dash of brilliancy to the gay scene. Old faded faces grew young again with the fever of excitement and the flush of winter glowing in their cheeks. Young ones held a coloring as vivid as Sir Joshua Reynolds used to put into his loveliest faces. Slow horses went over the road with heightened speed, and fast ones, urged on by the eager "go" of their masters and the cheering of the crowd, did their "level best." The "Beau-tiful Snow" flew, clinging to lips in a frolicsome freak, and lay fold on fold in the fields beyond. The music of the bells grew fast and furious, and between four and five the carnival was at its height, and animated enough for Kensett to reproduce upon canvass. Among the throng that went flitting by we noticed our prominent temperance man, ex-Gov. T., enjoying the sport with the zest of a school-boy, his musical son riding alongside; Geo. F., the husband of one of Springfield's sweetest singers; Geo. R., of paper collar fame; Doc. C., a dear lover of fine horses, taking a turn between his visits to his patients. The Spanish face of Capt. V., recently appointed one of the Governor's staff—one day with him, next with a lovely brunette companion was P. S., a genial, jolly fellow of means, who, rumor says, can have choice of the city's fairest maidens; Mrs. Col. T., with her patrician face; N., of the book-publishing firm, and his stylish young wife; the handsome tyro of the C's, self-reliantly driving alone, we noticed E. S., a noted horse woman, perfectly at home with the reins in her hands; E. Q., a school teacher; Miss B. W., who writes such pleasant magazine articles; young and lovely Miss G., the singer, and many others. The music of the bells, and the "Beautiful Snow" make a rare combination of happy sights, merry sounds, &c.

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The West Brookfield people are excited about their post office. Last Friday morning they discovered that the office had been removed during the previous night from the old stand to the Town Hall. It is claimed that complaints, as to the location were made with a view to oust Postmaster Almsworth, and that he stole a march on the dissatisfied ones by his action in removing the office Thursday night.

Steve Lowery, the last survivor of the notorious band of Robeson county robbers, was instantly killed in the upper part of Robeson county, N. C., on Monday by three citizens named Paterson, Sutton and Holcomb. He was tuning a banjo preparatory to playing for some wagoners, when three shots were fired at him, taking effect in his head.

A Danville (Va.) murderer, who lately had his death sentence commuted to imprisonment for life, was digging out of jail, and had got a hole through the floor, when his commutation came. He expressed himself satisfied, and gave up a knife which he had concealed.

A wealthy and eccentric Boston lady, incensed at her relatives for fancied insults, died and willed all her possessions to an acquaintance. The legatee, however, has formally refused to accept the bequest, and the natural heirs will get the property.

A sheep was found in Maine the other day under a snow drift in a hole seven or eight feet deep, where it had been at least twelve days without food. It was alive, and being pulled out ran briskly to the barn, apparently all-right.

A one mile velocipede race for £100 and championship of England, between John Moore, the French champion, and Fred. Cooper, the English champion, took place at Wolverhampton on Saturday. Over 5000 persons were present.

The Acclimation Society of Cincinnati have procured three thousand dollars' worth of birds from Germany, among them many varieties entirely new to this country, which they intend to let loose in the spring.

Across Lake Champlain, at Port Kent, an athletic fellow has been running a sled line on the ice. He wears skates and draws the sled, which will hold four passengers comfortably seated.

A New Castle, Del., physician tried the experiment of grafting a piece of his own skin on a colored man. The piece grew, but in three months it was as dark as the surrounding cuticle.

Six detective officers brutally murdered an Irishman in New York a few nights since in his own house, because he sought to protect his family from a ruffianly assault.

St. John's Catholic Church Orange, N. J., is to be disposed of by sheriff's sale to satisfy a claim of \$50,000 on discounted notes.

Cuyahoe Lodge of Odd Fellows of Cleveland has been assessed \$10,000 damages for libelling Edwin Lyly, one of its members.

HOME LIFE in the Bible, advertised in another column, is by the popular author, Rev. Daniel March, D. D., whose books are so widely known and eminently fitted for family reading. Paying employment is offered young men and ladies, teachers and clergymen.

Entire this out. It may save your life. There is no person living but what suffers more or less with Lung Disease, Coughs, Colds or Consumption, yet some would do rather than pay 75 cents for a bottle of medicine that would cure them. Dr. A. Roscoe's German Syrup has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wondrous cures astonish every one that try it. If you doubt what we say in print, cut this out and take it to your druggist, J. H. Jenks, Palmer, or J. H. Pepper, Ware, and get a sample bottle for 10 cts., or a regular size for 75 cts. 1592

A Common Form of Indigestion is oppression after eating, or a depressing dullness of the spirit; with flatulence, or a belching up of wind, and almost always follows coarseness. Dr. Harrison's Peppermint Lozenges give quick and permanent relief. They are pleasant, portable, do not require increase of dose, never grip, and for constipation of the bowels, piles, headache, Dizziness, irregularities, and other female weaknesses, they are incomparable. Trial box, 50 cents. Large box, \$1.00. Mailed free for this last price.

DR. HARRISON'S ICELAND BALM, a splendid cure for Coughs, Colds, and all throat and lung complaints. For sale by E. S. HARRISON & CO., Proprietors, No. 1 Tremont Temple, Boston, and by all druggists. 1m32

EXTRA INDUCEMENTS!

In order to give our patrons the opportunity of obtaining any of the leading magazines or periodicals, in connection with either of our papers, we have arranged the following

CLUB LIST.	
We will furnish the PALMER JOURNAL or WARE STANDARD one year, together with	
Waverly Magazine, price \$6.00, " 7.50	
The Aldine, " 5.00, " 6.50	
(With two MacChromes.)	
Harper's Monthly, " 4.00, for \$5.00	
" Weekly, " 4.00, " 5.00	
" Bazar, " 4.00, " 5.00	
Galaxy, " 4.00, " 5.00	
Scraper's Monthly, " 4.00, " 5.00	
Hearth and Home, " 3.50, " 4.50	
New York Independent, " 3.00, " 4.00	
(No subscribers only.)	
Golden Age, (with premiums), " 3.00, " 4.00	
" Chronological Journal, " 3.00, " 4.00	
(With premiums.)	
Scientific American, " 3.00, " 4.00	
St. Nicholas, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Peters' Musical Monthly, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Oliver Optic's Magazine, " 3.00, " 4.00	
(With premium picture, American Artisan, " 3.00, " 4.00	
Peter's Domestic, " 2.00, " 3.00	
Peter's Magazine, " 2.00, " 3.00	
Science of Health, " 2.00, " 3.00	
Manufacturer and Builder, " 2.00, " 3.00	
Wood's Household Magazine, " 1.50, " 2.50	
With chromo, " 1.50, " 2.50	
American Agriculturist, " 1.50, " 2.50	
(With mounted chromo.)	
The Nursery, " 1.50, " 2.50	
(To the person sending us four new subscribers, with the money, we will furnish the elegant chromo Fruit Piece, or Cross and Flowers, and for six new subscribers we will furnish both, worth \$8.00.)	
(Almost any other American magazine or periodical supplied on equally favorable terms. Subscriptions at these rates should be for one year, but may be for less or more.)	
G. M. FISK & CO.	
Palmer, Dec. 13, 1873.	

SUFFERERS from coughs, colds, bronchitis, croup, influenza, or whooping cough, will find relief in Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, which has now been in use for half a century, and still maintains its long established reputation as the great remedy for all diseases of the throat, lungs and chest.

BORN.

At Thorndike, 24th, a daughter to E. W. and FRANCESCA A. ANDREWS.

MARRIED.

At Ware, 25th, by Rev. W. M. Ayers, FREDERICK H. MERISHAW of Waltham and SARAH A. SPOONER of Ware.

DIED.

At Belchertown, 20th, SAMUEL BENNETT, 82, 24th, ELA L., 26, eldest daughter of S. W. and Della Long.

At Northampton, 31st, DWIGHT HUBBARD, formerly principal of the Central Grammar school at Pittsfield.

NOTICE!

This is to forbid all persons harboring or trusting my wife, Sophia, on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date.

Palmer, Feb. 28th, 1874.

NOTICE.—TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—Whereas my wife, Maryette Smith, has by her threats and slanderous tongue driven me to seek a more quiet and congenial home, this is to forbid all persons trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date.

GEO. W. SMITH.

Ware, Feb. 23d, 1874.

HOME LIFE IN THE BIBLE.

By the author of "Night Scenes in the Bible," and "One Father's House," of which nearly 200,000 have been sold. "Home Life" is commended by ministers of all churches as "the author's best work," "full of precious thoughts," "truths precious as gems," "a choice book for every family."

Steel engravings, rose-tinted paper, rich binding, and for rapid sale unexcelled. AGENTS, Young Men, Ladies, Teachers and Clergymen, wanted in every county; \$75 to \$100 per month. Send for circular. ZIMMER & McCURDY, 274 Main St., Springfield, Mass.

PAPER HANGINGS!

SPRING GOODS!!

H. J. WOOD.

Wholesale & Retail Dealer in

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of which we have a much larger assortment than ever before!

WINDOW SHADES, TASSELS & FIXTURES,

a very full and select variety.

CUTLERY!

embracing SCISSORS, RAZORS (the very best), TABLE and POCKET GOODS.

PLATED WARE of the best manufacture!

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The largest assortment and best ware in Eastern Hampshire! Also, a good stock of VASES, FANCY GOODS, CHINA, LAMP GLASS, FLOWER POTS and STONE WARE.

We are Agent in Palmer for

PRATT'S ASTRAL OIL!

Superior to all other illuminating oils for SAFETY, purity, brilliancy, durability and freedom of odor. Try it once, and you will want no other!

PLAIN AND DECORATIVE

PAPER HANGING AND WHITENING

DONE TO ORDER.

We are not in the habit of dogging people around who are building, from the time they commence their cellar until their houses are plastered, begging for jobs. Such a course would be inconsistent with the character of a respectable Paper Hanger. But we are at the service of all who wish their houses finished in a manner that will give permanent satisfaction. Thanking the people of Palmer for former favors, we solicit further patronage. The people's servant,

E. J. WOOD.

No. 63 Main St., Commercial Block, Palmer.

MEAT MARKET TO RENT!

SITUATED IN THORNDIKE,

Containing Rack, Hooks, Block, Table, Shelves, and all fixtures adapted to the business. Also, a tenement to go with the market, if desired. Rent moderate. For further particulars call on

CORNELIUS KELLNER.

Thorndike, Feb. 4, 1874.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

SHIP.—The co-partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers, under the firm name of Clark & Green, is hereby dissolved. All persons having any claims against said firm will please pay them to the undersigned, who will hold them liable for the same.

T. P. CLARK.

JOHN B. GREEN.

Ware, Jan. 30, 1874.

LUMBER OF ALL KINDS,

LATH, SHINGLES, ETC.,

For sale in quantities to suit purchasers, by

ALBERT BURLEIGH,

KNOX BUILDING.

Palmer, Jan. 1, 1873.

LIVE STOCK FOR SALE!

One yoke Durham steers, 4 years old, weight 3500 lbs.; on yoke three-year-olds, weight 2700 lbs.; 1 two-year-old bull, thorough-bred Durham, weight 1700 lbs.; one yearling bull and two fine new milch cows.

A. NORCROSS.

MRS. WM. MERRIAM'S

COUGH SYRUP.

GIVE IT ONE THOROUGH TRIAL—IT WILL CERTAINLY CURE YOU.

It has no equal for the certain, speedy cure of coughs, colds, sore throat, hoarseness, loss of voice, shortness of breath, bronchitis, croup, diptheria, and all affections of the throat and lungs. One trial of this remarkable Syrup will convince any person that it is the most reliable, and certain remedy for the throat and lungs ever offered in this country. Hence, I place it before the public in full faith that it will save thousands from Pulmonary Consumption and a Premature Grave. Also, do not neglect to get it, for it is a remedy ever yet tried. This Syrup is no quick medicine, but the result of years' study, practice and experience. It is greatly needed in every family, even in health, that the very first appearance of this class of ailments may be checked and cured by its prompt action and certain results. It does not dry up the cough and weaken the patient, but on the contrary it loosens the phlegm, and destroys the cough, and imparts vitality, tone and vigor to the whole system. It is very pleasant to the taste, and its benefit among children cannot be estimated—cures the Croup, and dispels all derangement of the nervous system. It is purely vegetable, and can be safely used in all cases. I can furnish any amount of testimonials from those who have suffered long from this class of diseases, and whose grateful thanks more than pages of print, since fully cured by this remedy. Every genuine bottle has the engraving of the proprietor on the label.

Price, 50 cts. and One Dollar per Bottle.

Mrs. WM. MERRIAM, (Sole Proprietor),

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

Residence, 315 Chestnut St.

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Sold by WOOD & ALLEN,

Palmer, Mass.

CHARLES HALL

IMPORTER, AND WHOLESALE AND

RETAIL DEALER IN

China, Earthenware & Glass,

395 Main St., opp. Haynes' Hotel,

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

I have now on hand and on the way, several large shipments of French China and English Crochery, purchased direct from the manufacturers, including the following celebrated makes of goods, Henry Alcock's "Parisian Porcelain," Richard Alcock's "Sidney" Wedgwood's "Etruscan," Madsen & Co.'s new and desirable shape "Rhuby" and Haviland's White, Gold-Band and richly decorated China Tea, Dining and Toilet Sets, all of which I am prepared to wholesale or retail at the lowest possible prices. I have also on hand a fine stock of cut and pressed

GLASS, CUTLERY, PLATED WARE,

KEROSENE GOODS,

of every description, and GENERAL HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS, purchased for cash, and which will be sold at prices that defy competition.

My agents will call upon the merchants of New England at regular intervals, and all orders shall receive prompt and careful attention. 4w51

FOR GENUINE HAND SWITCHES!

Go to E. L. DAVIS, 57 Main St.

STORE RE-OPENED!

SALE TO BE SHORT AND LIVELY!

\$12,000.

GREAT BANKRUPT SALE

OF DRY GOODS!

We have bought the large and valuable stock of Dry Goods in the store formerly belonging to H. S. Bushnell & Co., 382 Main street, at a very large discount from invoice cost, for cash, and will offer at decided bargains for thirty days only, at their old stand. We have freshened it up with some

\$4000 IN NEW GOODS!

which will be sold with Bankrupt Stock. Lot of Dress Goods at 12 1/2 cents per yard. BANKRUPT STOCK! Buyers unable to crowd into the store will find the few of low prices extending to our regular stock, DURING FEBRUARY, at my store,

348 MAIN STREET.

8000 boxes Initial Note Paper saved from the fire.

J. T. ROCKWOOD.

Springfield, Mass.

NOTICE!

MR. CHARLES FOWLER

Will take Possession of my Store March 1.

He has had many years' experience, will keep

A LARGE STOCK OF GOODS,

And endeavor to satisfy the wants of the public as well as they have ever been.

I WANT AS MANY BILLS PAID DURING THE PRESENT MONTH AS POSSIBLE.

MR. ROCKETS will remain in charge of the books at the store during the month of March, who are all requested to call and settle with him, and as soon as possible. I want every account settled by cash or note during March.

E. E. TOWNE.

Monson, Feb. 11th, 1874.

FARM, STOCK, &c., FOR SALE!

Two and one-half miles from this village, 1/2 mile from school, contains 65 acres, divided into mowing, tillage, pasture and woodland. Good building, and a good well of water at the house. A brook runs through the property. Good apple orchard—makes cider every year. Also, 1 horse, 5 cows, tools, &c.

Palmer, Feb. 17, 1874.

H. H. PERRY & CO.,

CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS,

Central Street, Palmer, Mass.

All kinds of Building Material at Lowest Prices. Also, constantly on hand

SASH, DOORS AND BLINDS, At Lowest Prices.

Palmer, Feb. 1874.

FULL LINE OF

BLACK GROS GRAIN RIBBONS,

CHEAT AS THE CHEAPEST!

AT E. L. DAVIS, 57 Main Street.

NOTICE.—The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of "Chapin Bros." is dissolved by the death of Mr. C. C. Chapin. All persons indebted to said firm are requested to make immediate settlement to the undersigned, who alone is authorized to settle the affairs of the firm.

H. W. CHAPIN.

The business will be continued at the old stand, and a continuation of the liberal patronage bestowed upon the late firm is solicited.

H. W. CHAPIN.

Monson, Feb. 12th, 1874.

WHEN YOU GO TO SPRINGFIELD DO NOT FAIL TO VISIT

P. O. P. C. H.

350 MAIN STREET.

At all times you can find there bargains in many kinds of goods. We are constantly laying JOB LOTS and closing out ODD LOTS of CLOTHING at much below regular prices, which are just as good to the customer; but we had rather close them cheap for cash than keep them on our counter. You can often save your face on a pair of pants or a coat. Our one price system, which we were the first to establish in Western Massachusetts, has already made our house the popular clothing mart of Springfield. COME AND SEE US, WHETHER YOU BUY OR NOT.

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Heaven.
I cannot believe in endless hell
And heaven side by side. How could I dwell
Among the saved, for thinking of the lost?
With such a lot, the good would suffer most.
Sitting at least all in a golden home,
That towered over dungeons gates of doom.
My heart would ache for all the lost that go
To wall and weep in endless woe;
Through all the music I must hear the moan
Too sharp for all the harp of heaven to drown.
I think heaven will not shut for evermore,
Without a knocker left upon the door,
Least some belated wanderer should come,
Heart-broken, asking just to die at home,
So that the Father will at last forgive,
And looking on his face that soul shall live.
—Gerald Massey.

A country fellow entered one of the New York banks, and walking up to the counter exclaimed, "Here I am. I want you to take a fair look at me." Without a word further he strode out. The next day the same customer re-appeared, uttered the same words, and again disappeared. The third day, at about the same time, he walked in, and advancing to the teller's desk, threw down a draft payable three days after sight. "Now," said he, "you've seen me three times. I want the money for it."

Miss Frank Pottle, a school teacher in Fryeburg, Me., was brought before a Justice of the Peace for whipping one of her scholars. Miss Pottle's weight seemed to be about ninety pounds, and her muscles, judging by her delicate hands and slim wrists, were not much developed. The whipped scholar was a strapping, ugly boy, sixteen years old. Learning that the punishment had been well deserved, the Justice expressed admiration for Miss Pottle's pluck, and discharged her.

Mr. S. Koiler, living near Waynesboro, Va., recently ordered an old oak to be cut down, remarking that the cutters would find a rock in the body of the tree, which he had put there fifty-four years ago, when he was a little boy returning from school one day. When the tree was cut, in the heart of it was found imbedded the identical rock which Mr. Koiler had put in the fork of the little sappling more than a century ago.

A remarkable rose bush adorns the cottage of S. A. Rendall of Santa Rosa, California. It was planted in 1858, and is of the Lamarque variety, the most beautiful of the white roses. Imagine an immense bouquet of white roses, twenty-five feet high, twenty-two feet across, beautifully rounded, with a blossoming surface of four hundred square feet, with four thousand full-blown roses and twenty thousand buds!

Speaker Shadd, negro, of the Mississippi House of Representatives, was born in Delaware, is thirty-seven years old, a printer by trade, and has been editor of a newspaper in Canada. One of his sisters is principal of a high school in Washington City, and another is principal of a high school in Louisiana. He has a brother practicing law in Arkansas.

"What are you about, my dear?" said a grandmother to a little boy, who was idling about the room and casting furtive glances at a gentleman who was paying a visit. "I am trying, grandma, to steal papa's hat out of the room without letting the gentleman see it; for papa wants him to think he is out."

A very genteel and amiable young man is now insane. He splits his hair in the middle. The other day in combing it he chanced to get two more hairs on one side than the other. This destroyed the balance of the head and overthrown his brain. He makes a very gentle lunatic, however.

The story is told of a pious old lady living near Athens, Georgia, whom the young folks over-persuaded to give a party. When the guests had assembled a solemn looking minister was introduced, and preached a solemn sermon two hours long.

A captain finding an Irish boy, during the middle watch, frying some ham and eggs he had stolen from the ship's stores, called out to him, "You lubber, you, I'll have none of that." "Faith, captain, I've none for ye," said the lad.

According to the decision of a Kansas judge, both husband and wife are entitled to enter a place of amusement on a ticket reading "Admit one." "Does a ticket reading 'Admit two' permit two husbands and their wives to enter?"

I clasped her tiny hand in mine; I vowed to shield her from the wind, and from the world's cold storms. She set her beautiful eyes on me, and with her little lips said she—"An umbrella will do as well."

"Good morning," said a printer to the head of a flourishing family, "have you any daughters who would make good typesetters?" "No, but I have a wife that would make a very good devil."

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